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To-day.

(March 3.)

Exchange Banks and Hong Kong Stock Exchange Close, noon.
Racing—Annual Race Meeting (Happy Valley).
Cricket—Volunteers v. Army, H.K.C.C. ground, 1 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."
World Theatre: "Protection."
Star Theatre: "If Winter Comes."
Central Theatre: "King of Jazz."
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
European Mail—Inward: Europe via Marseilles (d'Artagnan); Europe via Siberia (Chenonceau).
Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Chenonceau), 1.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (d'Artagnan), 2 p.m.; Europe via Marseilles (Menelaus), 2 p.m.

Wednesday.

(March 4.)

Exchange Banks and Hong Kong Stock Exchange Close, noon.
Racing—Annual Race Meeting, Happy Valley.
Dancing Display by the Pupils of Miss Violet Capell, Theatre Royal, 5.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."
World Theatre: "Protection."
Star Theatre: "If Winter Comes."
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: Peninsula and H.K. Hotels, 8.30 p.m.
European Mail—Outward: Europe via San Francisco and via Siberia (Chichibu Maru), 8.30 a.m.; Europe via Vancouver and via Siberia (Emp. of Canada), 10 a.m.

Thursday.

(March 5.)

H.K. Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., 11th ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders, 11 a.m., Queen's Building, 11 a.m.
Concert of Instrumental Music, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.
Hong Kong Boxing Association City Hall, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."
World Theatre: "Scarlet Maid" (Chinese picture).
Star Theatre: "Soft Living."
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Friday.

(March 6.)

Property Auction: (12-14, Queen's Road Central) China Auction Rooms, 3 p.m.
Dancing Display by Miss Violet Capell's pupils, Theatre Royal, 5.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."
World Theatre: "Scarlet Maid" (Chinese picture).
Star Theatre: "Soft Living."
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: H.K. and Peninsula Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Saturday.

(March 7.)

Annual Meeting, Bank of Canton, 12 noon.
Racing—Annual Race Meeting (Happy Valley).

AMERICA'S ROBIN HOOD.

AL CAPONE AS A BIOGRAPHER SEES HIM.

WHAT IS THE SECRET OF HIS POWER.

AL CAPONE. THE BIOGRAPHY OF A SELF-MADE MAN. By Fred D. Pasley, Faber & Faber, 7s. 6d. Al Capone—the name is pronounced to rhyme with "throne"—is, though still in his early thirties, already more famous than all but a few of the world's leading statesmen. There have been great criminals before him, and there have been great organisers of crime before him; but he, more than any other man, seems to have organised crime on "big business" principles, and to have succeeded in forming a trust for the purpose of breaking the law by methods of guerrilla warfare.

We are naturally inquisitive as to the character of a man who, in the heart of a great civilisation, can marshal a small rebel army of his own, breaking what laws he pleases as violently as he pleases, and defying judges and policemen to lay a hand on him; and many people will turn to Mr. Pasley's book in the hope of discovering a new stream of facts about the extraordinary career of this King of the Gangsters. Mr. Pasley's book, however, is not so much a biography of Capone as an account of Capone's Chicago.

Ex-Soldier and Gangster.

Some interesting facts we do learn. General Al the Scarface, we are told, is an ex-Serviceman who went with the American Expeditionary Force to France. He had already been questioned by the New York police in regard to two murders when he arrived in Chicago and found work under Torrio, a gangster with the high ambition of gaining absolute control of the illicit liquor traffic in his adopted city.

As the assistant and successor of Torrio, Capone made this dream all but a reality, and by 1927 he was running an illegal business the turnover of which has been estimated at \$21,000,000 a year.

This he has succeeded in doing, as all the world knows, by various methods—bribe, judges, and policemen, shooting down rival gangsters, getting his creatures elected to important posts and intimidating witnesses.

So eminent a figure did he become in the life of Chicago that, when Pinedo arrived there in the course of his flight round the world, Capone was the first citizen to greet him. The extent of his power is shown in the story of his ringing up a judge, when one of his henchmen had been dragged into court, and

saying: "I thought I told you to discharge that fellow." "Uh," explained the judge, "I was off the bench that day. I wrote a memo, for Judge —, and my bailiff forgot to deliver it." "Forget!" cried Capone. "Don't let him forget again!"

What the secret of Capone's power is, however, remains something of a mystery. First, of course, prohibition played into his hands, since Chicago is a "wet" city, and was not altogether eager to crush those who were doing their best to make it wetter. Then, the large alien population made it easy to organise law-breaking by the methods of the secret society. Add to this, that the police force was undermined, and that politics of the Big-Bill-Thompson type were a native product; and it is easy to see that the atmosphere of Chicago was the ideal atmosphere for the genius of Al Capone.

The Sentimental Side.

But his personality! Well, we are told that he is a good father, who is never happier than when he is playing games with his son, that he is extremely generous and that if anybody is killed in a gang war he never shaves till the funeral is over. He is also said never to have "double-crossed" anyone who "played square" with him.

He is fond of music, especially of Verdi, and his favourite vice is gambling. And is a student of human life; he has perfectly sound views on his own profession. "Capone is one who will tell you, and in no moralising way, that crime does not pay. And, if you ask why he doesn't retire he will answer, 'Once in, there's no out.' As the most shot-at man in America he looks back longingly to the days when he was 'any' impetuous hoodlum." Unusually lies the head at which rival gangsters are perpetually aiming bullets.

Still, apart from a few characteristics, and apart from his manifest ruthlessness in action and his talent for organisation, we cannot get a very clear picture of the man. He is almost as elusive as the Hidden Hand. He is never much more than a mysterious force in the background, whose crimes somehow cannot be brought home to him.

Mr. Pasley's book is crowded, indeed—almost congested—with mysterious figures whose crimes cannot be brought home to them. There are more characters in "Al Capone" than in the "Iliad," and though we suspect half of them of murder to the point of certainty, their stories are largely secret and so cannot be told in full. The crimes we know, but the perpetrators are shadows, despite their diamond rings, their machine guns, and their bullet-proof motor-cars.

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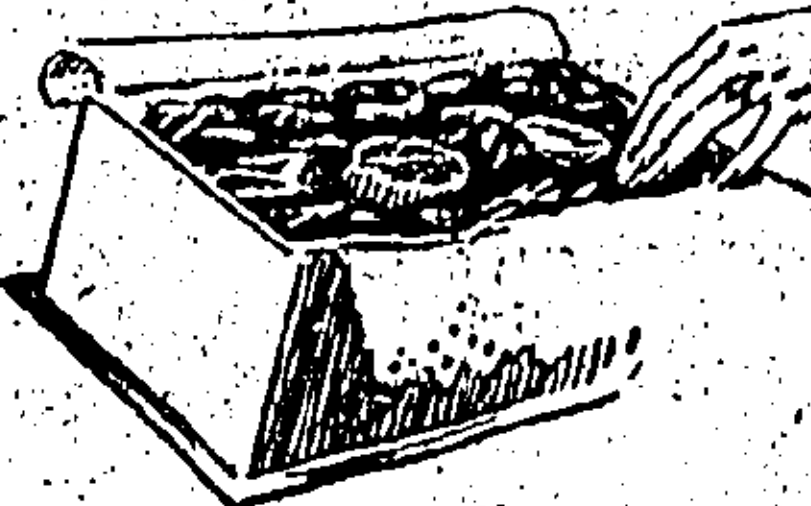


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AIRWAYS AND AVIATION.

BRITISH FLYING NEWS.

THE OSPREY AND H.M.S. COURAGEOUS.

LONDON, Jan. 27.

The two-seater fleet reconnaissance fighter Osprey left England on Saturday in the aircraft-carrier Courageous for Gibraltar. There the aircraft will be transferred to H.M.S. Eagle, making the first new Fleet Air Arm type included in a special flight added to the flying complement of the Eagle for her cruise in South America waters and visit to Buenos Aires during the British Empire Trade Exhibition.

Behind this plain statement of fact is a story of great and exciting endeavour, culminating in a full-throttle dash from Brooklands aerodrome to Gosport and a landing on the deck of the Courageous at the last possible moment before the big vessel was due to sail.

Three weeks ago the makers of the machine, the H.G. Hawker Engineering Company, received the Osprey—wrecked. The only craft of its kind yet built, it had been handed over to naval pilots for prolonged test flying. A misjudged landing at Gosport aerodrome with the machine falling the last few feet and the Osprey seemed finished with flying for a long time.

Damage done was extensive, involving undercarriage struts and wheels, engine bearers, lower wings, tail unit, radiator. Experts declared that it was well nigh impossible to rebuild the craft, test it again, and get it on board the Courageous in time to leave for South America. The special flight on the Eagle seemed certain to consist of two aeroplanes instead of three.

Lands on Ship Steaming Full Ahead.

The constructors thought differently. Work began at once. Special mechanics were placed on the job. Night and day the work continued and, finally, on the evening of January 20 the aeroplane, completely repaired, was moved from the company's works at Kingston-on-Thames to Brooklands aerodrome for test flights. Time was indeed short. On January 22 the Courageous would be out in the English Channel for the last time before going into Gosport to take on stores for the voyage. If the Osprey was to be flown on to the ship, the work must be done then, with the Courageous steaming at full speed in open Channel so that the machine might alight safely on the deck.

One entire night of work at the aerodrome placed the company finally on terms with time and, less than three hours before the last possible moment, the Osprey ascended from Brooklands aerodrome in the morning of January 22 and headed south at great speed. The pilot in charge made a perfect landing on the Courageous in the afternoon. One more dramatic incident in the history of British aviation was closed with success.

Bound for Buenos Aires.

Two batches of aeroplanes intended for exhibition and flying demonstration at Buenos Aires have left this country during the last ten days, tangible evidence of the important part British aircraft will play in the great Latin American trade drive centred round the British Empire Trade Exhibition.

Among these machines, shipped in the s.s. Dunster Grange and Avila Star, are eight aeroplanes, biplane and monoplane, and general purpose military two-seater craft. Other aircraft exhibits are due to follow within the next few days, comprising altogether a wide range of typical British aeroplanes and aero engines and justifying the claim that the effort of the British aircraft industry stands second to no previous trade push in a foreign country.

British aircraft "static" exhibits will be located in the Government Pavilion, where the greater part of the space is allocated to firms belonging to the aircraft industry.

The Schneider Trophy Contest. The government's re-affirmation of its decision not to give the slightest assistance in the Schneider Trophy contest, due to be held over British water in August or September, has aroused a storm of criticism.

Great Britain was the two previous contests in 1927 and 1929, and, according to the regulations, has the privilege again this year; as in 1929, of organising the race in this country. Two foreign nations, France and Italy, have entered teams of high-speed aeroplanes. Efficient organisation of the race demands Royal Air Force aid in the provision of accommodation for visiting teams and aircraft, while Royal Air Force pilots belonging to the High Speed Flying Section are the only men in the country qualified by actual experience to pilot aeroplanes flying at speeds of six miles a minute and more.

Immediately after the 1929 contest, won by Great Britain at a record speed of 332.6 miles an hour, the Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, declared that Britain would do its best to win again next time. A few weeks later the government announced that it would not participate in the race in any way, but recent events had encouraged a hope that this decision might be reversed. Now, however, the government remains adamant, though the Royal Aero Club has offered to guarantee the sum of £50,000, stated by the Air Ministry to represent the cost of participation in the contest this year.

The Industry's Protest.

Conscious of the beneficial effect of winning the Trophy on British aircraft trade the Society of British Aircraft Constructors has addressed a letter of appeal to every member of the Houses of Parliament, Lords as well as Commons.

The letter points out that success in previous contests has given British aircraft and British aero engines a prestige in the minds of foreign buyers that probably could not have been attained in any other way.

It adds:—"The cash cost of defending the Trophy has been put at £80,000. What, however, has not been brought home to the public is that this £80,000, if spent, would within the next few months be represented almost entirely by wages paid out to skilled workmen who might not otherwise be employed. The net cost to the Government, therefore, in so far as it absorbs labour from the unemployed, must be substantially less, if, indeed, the whole sum is not more than fully covered by the exceptional employment created in other directions by the actual holding of the contest."

The Society has already undertaken serious liabilities in the event of a British team defending the trophy in British waters; but only the Government has the personnel, equipment and statutory authority essential to the organisation of the course and the defence of the trophy.

"Both the foreign challenging teams have the full support of their respective Governments in regard to the provision of personnel and equipment."

will travel by flying-boat from Marseilles to Beirut and thence to Baghdad and Karachi by aeroplane. At Karachi passengers and mail will transfer or be transferred to a train for Calcutta. On the Calcutta-Saigon section the intention is to carry mail at the outset, but when experience has been gained passengers will be carried. The journey in either direction on this section will take about three days. The French inaugurated on January 3, a direct air service between Paris and Saigon, with a three-engine monoplane on a twelve day schedule. A record flight between Paris and Saigon was carried out in November by French aviators who left Paris on November 8 at 1.15 p.m. and arrived in Saigon on the forenoon of the 13th. This new service will prove a distinct boon to Indo-China, cutting down the time of 26 days by steamship to about ten days by air.

Siam, the Skyway to the Far East. Siam has taken readily to aerial transportation. Airports have been built at Donmuang, Chiang Mai and Udon. These are equipped with customs facilities and other necessities for civil air-traffic. The Siam Government and the people are deeply interested in aviation and official assurances have been given of fullest co-operation with foreign air-transport companies desiring to operate in Siam. Special arrangements have been made for the transportation of air mail to Europe. Over this land of temples and jeweled idols, where the most dignified method of travel is by elephant, the multi-engine aeroplanes of the Royal Air Navigation Company of the Netherlands speed on their way between Holland and the Dutch East Indies—Far Eastern Review.

PROGRESS IN INDO-CHINA AND SIAM.

PLANS FOR INTERNATIONAL TRUNK LINE.

Until the end of 1929, aviation in Indo-China was more or less in suspension, governed by the military necessities of the moment. Landing fields and points of assembly were not co-ordinated, except from the strategic point of view, and it was not until the recent rapid development of Far Eastern aviation, that the question of civil aviation came to the fore.

Recent long-distance flights have made it apparent that there is a possibility which Indo-China must not overlook, owing to her favourable geographical situation in the direct line of aerial travel between Europe and points in the Far East. The Government has consequently prepared an extensive aerial development programme.

The Vientiane-Vinh Line is conceived as the Indo-China section of the grand international trunk line from Europe by way of Syria, Mesopotamia, Persia, India, Burma and Siam, and in so far as the French are concerned, is the direct link between Paris and their important colonial centre of Hanoi. Ten landing places will be prepared along this section, with special provisions at Lak-Bay for the difficult passage across the Annamese Mountain chain, which traverses the country in a longitudinal direction. The two termini of the section, Vientiane and Vinh, will be equipped with full regard to the needs of three-motored machines which it is expected will be the type most favoured for the long flight over two continents. Vientiane already has a vast aerodrome, measuring 1,000 meters square, which will be usable during the whole of the year. That at Vinh is being prepared, work there being now pushed ahead.

Hanoi-Saigon the Ultimate Aim.

For the Hanoi-Saigon line, which is the ultimate aim of local Indo-China aviation, (connecting as it does the chief centres of commercial, industrial and administrative importance en route) two aerodromes are being prepared at the two ends, replacing the makeshift ones already in existence at Bakh-Mai and Tan Son Nhut. A supplementary route between Saigon and Phnongrang will enable machines to avoid the fogs of the South Annam coast at certain times of the year. The scenic route along the Mekong River offers an alternative to the more direct land line between Hanoi and Saigon during the monsoon season.

The international trunk line has been materializing. A French Company, styled the Asia Air Company, having come forward with a definite project which they have put into practical form with a regular line, which since October 1, has been in operation between Saigon and Bangkok, where it picks up the French mails brought from Europe by the Dutch trunk line. The same Company has brought out a high-powered seaplane which will inaugurate a regular service by sea between Saigon and Calcutta. Another French subsidized organization called the Orient Air Company has projected a fortnightly service between India and Vinh, by way of Rangoon and Pitsanulok. Simultaneously with the inauguration of this line the service which the Compagnie Air-Orient at present operates between Marseilles and Baghdad by way of Beirut, will be extended to Karachi.

Calcutta-Saigon.

With regard to the Calcutta-Saigon section of the service, Colonel Glair, Agent-General of the Compagnie Air-Orient in the Far East, was in Calcutta recently to make arrangements for this service. C.A.O. 55, twin-engine flying-boats, similar to those used on the Marseilles-Beirut section, will be used, and they will operate from a station on the Hooghly, probably near Durgam, and the hangar will be built on the river bank at a strategic point.

When the complete service is in operation, mails and passengers (Continued on previous column.)

AMERICA'S ROBIN HOOD.

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Mystery of a Reporter.

Even Lingle, the journalist on the staff of the Chicago Tribune who was murdered last year—it was thought at the time an account of his courage in attempting to expose the gangster—remains a shadow. Since his death, it has been discovered that the murdered reporter, instead of being a public-spirited reformer, was making thousands of pounds out of his relations with gangsters and the corrupt members of the police force, while he wore a diamond-studded belt-buckle given to him by Capone. Earning a salary of \$13 a week as a reporter, he is supposed to have received from unknown sources payments amounting to about £10,000 a year. Yet no one knows exactly what part he played or who killed him or why.

"Al Capone" is on the whole a depressing book in spite of the author's comparative optimism about the future. It is, however, a document well worth reading, especially at a time when attempts to organize crime as a business are becoming more numerous. But the gangster does not come to life in it as he did in "Broadway," and I think the main facts are not set out so lucidly and so vividly as in Mr. Sullivan's "Look at Chicago."—Mr. Robert Lynd in the *New Chronicle*.

INDO-CHINESE AFFAIRS.

LIVELY DEBATE HEARD IN FRENCH CHAMBER.

DEPUTY'S REMARKS BRING STRONG DISAPPROVAL.

Paris, Feb. 23.—The Chamber this morning continued the discussion of the colonial budget. M. de Tastes, Left Republican deputy, referring to the economic situation in Indo-China, declared that the gravity of the rubber crisis had been exaggerated. He thought that the planters' production costs were too high and he also asked for a definite policy regarding rice.

As M. de Tastes also commented on the attitude of M. Pasquier, the Governor-General of Indo-China in regard to the trouble at Yen-bay, M. Reynaud defended his conduct and M. Taittinger, President of the Colonial Commission, added that M. Pasquier had done his duty well.

Replying to the charge of M. Doriot, Communist deputy, that 600 natives had been deported to Cayenne, M. Reynaud denied this statement. M. Doriot objected to the advice of M. Pasquier to the natives: "Renew your respect towards authority." M. Outrey, intervening, said it was excellent advice. As M. Doriot added that the wages of the natives were too low M. Outrey remarked: "You forget to mention the ages of the workers in Russia."

Crisis From Speculation.

Continuing his speech, M. de Tastes expressed the opinion that the crisis largely arose from speculation and stated that the sudden fall in certain Coochin-China securities was evidence of it. He indicated that officials in Indo-China should not be permitted to own plantations, a practice which had been abandoned in Africa. He complained of the inefficient control which rendered easy inroads on the public treasury, especially in the case of forestry. Finally, he criticized M. Pasquier, the Governor-General, for being absent from Tonkin after the trouble at Yen-bay and Vinh.

M. Taittinger and other deputies strongly protested against this statement, adding that the Governor-General had adequately carried out his duty. M. Aldeide Delmont intervened and declared that the Chamber expressed its profound disapproval of the remarks of M. de Tastes.

Credit for the Colonies.

Continuing the discussion during the afternoon, M. Reynaud gave detailed information of the extension of the national credit with the object of favouring the development of industrial, commercial and agricultural enterprises. It was a question of providing the colonies with long-term credits, he said and added: "To-morrow, I shall propose to you the question of colonial products and the formation of the crisis. Regarding the criticisms of M. Outrey relative to the excessive military charges in Indo-China, the Minister remarked that these charges actually represented less than a quarter of the military expenses of the colonies. He added that the rapid suppression of the Communists excesses at Vinh had resulted in 60,000 people being able to resume their normal life.

SOLVING WORLD'S DEPRESSION.

CHINA TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS.

The sixth biennial congress of the International Chamber of Commerce will be held at Washington, U.S.A., from May 4 to May 9 at which a solution of the cause of the world-wide economic depression and determination of remedies for it will be the prominent theme. There is a general conviction among the business and financial leaders in the important European centres that the first step toward business recovery in Europe is the resumption of normal buying in the United States, and no substantial improvement is within sight until the American people can renew the purchases abroad of both raw materials and finished products.

The question of dumping on the world market of large quantities of grain, raw materials and semi-finished products by Soviet Russia at prices less than the normal costs of production will probably come in for consideration although Russia is one of the few countries not to be represented at the Congress.

It is also learned that the scheme for remedy of silver slump will prepare reports dealing with transportation, commerce, finance and industry for discussion both in group and plenary sessions.

Great Britain will be represented at the Congress by Sir Arthur Balfour, France by M. Etienne Clementelle, president-founder; Belgium by M. George Theunis, former Premier; Italy by Signor Giorgio Boccardo; Germany by Herr Abraham Frowein; Australia by Sir Frederick W. Young; and Austria by Dr. Paul Hammerschlag.

The China National Committee of the International Chamber has been organized with Mr. K. P. Chen as president, Dr. P. W. Kuo as vice-president and Mr. K. H. Ling as secretary-general, and has opened an office at 4, Hong Kong Road, Shanghai. Mr. Tsuyee Pei, manager, Bank of China, Shanghai, Dr. P. W. Kuo, vice-president of the committee, and Mr. K. C. Li, general manager, Wah Chang Trading Corporation, have been elected as Chinese delegates to the Congress and work has been started for the preparation of recommendations and reports for submission thereto.

PASSENGERS.

Departures.

The following passengers left on Saturday by P. & O. s.s. Malwa:—Sir Thomas Allen, Capt. G. S. Arbuthnot, D.S.O., R.N., Paym. Capt. L. C. E. Ayre, O.B.E., R.N., Mr. M. A. Annett, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Armitt, Master D. Wm. Armitt, Mr. A. B. Anderson, Mr. C. I. Ariff, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Bontknot and child, Mr. J. Borland, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Butters and infant, Miss J. Butters, Mrs. G. L. C. Baker-Bonfield, Miss E. A. Barker-Bonfield, Mr. W. Braine, Mr. J. W. Chumson, Mrs. A. S. Cleaver, Mr. A. N. B. Carr, Mr. J. McC. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. Casill, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Daniels and child, Mrs. W. Duggan, Mr. W. Duxton, Mr. G. Doust, Mr. T. Down, Mr. E. Endresen, Mr. W. H. Edwards, Lt.-Comdr. D. P. Evans, R.N., Lt.-Comdr. W. A. Ford, R.N., Mr. K. Fujimura, Mr. J. Finlayson, Mr. G. E. Farnham, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Graham, Mr. C. F. Gartin, Mr. R. Groves, Mr. J. Harbrie, Mr. S. Gray, Col. G. G. Godson, Mr. A. Gentles, Mr. W. R. Hebron, Miss L. M. Jibron, Miss M. S. M. E. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hoare, Miss M. E. Hoare, Master R. H. Hoare, Mr. W. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Holham and infant, Mr. H. Hatch, Major J. L. Isler, Paym. Lt.-Col. R. T. Isaac, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jowitt, Mr. J. Kelly, Mr. F. A. King, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. King, Miss M. King, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kent, Mrs. F. L. King, Mr. K. Kono, Mr. A. Leggett, C.E.R.A., Mr. Lee Wing Kon, Mr. J. M. McWilliams, Mr. J. McGilhray, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. McNeill and infant, Mr. J. F. MacLennan, Mr. E. Michelson, Mr. J. Marcus, Mr. A. S. Aluekitchin, Master I. D. Miedekhan, Master E. A. L. Miedekhan and wife (Miss A. Felson), Capt. and Mrs. F. Mooney, Miss F. Mooney, Mrs. L. N. Murphy, Mr. J. A. R. May, Mr. J. Manson, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Moss, Miss N. Moss, Master A. H. Moss, Misses D. and V. Moss, Mr. K. Mimmura, Mr. P. Nennum, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Oakley, Paym. Lt. J. H. P. Proctor, R.N., Mr. C. E. Rippington, Mr. J. K. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Russell and infant, Master R. L. Russell, Sir John Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Sifton, Miss M. F. Sayer, Mrs. E. E. Sterling, Mr. A. W. E. Sterling, Mr. P. L. Smith, Mr. T. Satow, Mr. H. T. Simpson, Mr. K. Schaefer, Mr. R. Sagiya, Mr. J. Uhler, Mr. E. L. Varney, Mr. V. H. Watson, Mr. O. Wöhner, Admiral Sir A. K. Wainell, R.C.B., R.N., Lieut. Wainell, Mr. V. Wainell, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. W. Wollard, Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Young and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Yang Tso Jung, Mr. W. J. Young.

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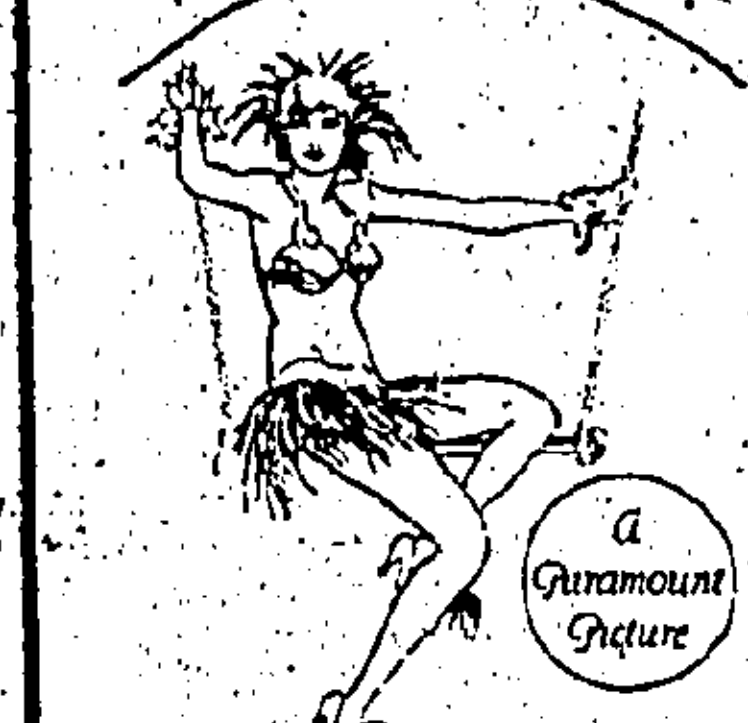
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BOOKS AND READERS

FIVE WORKS FOR THE
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PROBLEM OF THE
CRIMINAL ANALYSED.

"CRIME AS DESTINY." By J. Lange. Translated by Charlotte Haldane, Allen & Unwin.

"BOYS IN TROUBLE." By Mrs. Le Mesurier. Murray, G.

No questions before society today are more important than these: What crime essentially is and what to do with the actual or potential criminal. No thinking person holds that the criminal is solely responsible for his crime; and no thinking person holds that the sole duty of society is to deal with crime after it has been committed. To some extent, beyond question, society is itself to blame for criminal deeds, and to some extent we can certainly prevent crime and reform the criminal. The differences of opinion are as to the range of that little word "some."

Two Kinds of Twins.

Now Professor Lange defines crime as fate. His little book is able and his method is highly ingenious. If crime is hereditary—in the blood—then twins, if of criminal kind, should show criminal tendencies of like character. It must be remembered, however, that twins are of two quite different sorts: and we have all seen them. There are pairs—a most exacting alike—called scientifically "monozygotic"—and pairs no more alike than ordinary brothers—"dizygotic." The pre-natal history of the two kinds being quite different.

Heredity in Crime.

All this, with so much else that has been discovered, indicates pretty plainly that a great deal of crime is a matter of fate or heredity. The man who is a born criminal, and this fact has to be faced. No amount of talk about the freedom of the will can get rid of the obstinate truth that such a man, in the circumstances, in which he finds himself, will be a criminal and cannot help it. What, then, is to be done with him?

Here at once we find a vast confusion of opinion. Many people think that by altering his surroundings, and by general right treatment he may be cured. Others, like Mr. Justice Stephen, hold that, being a human tiger, he ought to be exterminated with no more remorse than that with which we slaughter a man-eating beast. There are eugenicists who would say that he ought not to be allowed to be born at all, any more than we ought to allow congenital idiots or "retards" to be born.

At present, however, the science of eugenics is in its infancy; it is more than doubtful whether we yet know enough to justify such an interference with human liberty as this. It is hard, for instance, to conceive a much more dangerous murderer than Palmer of Rugeley, and Palmer's family history was certainly bad. Yet one of his brothers was an excellent clergyman. Had you prevented the birth of the poisoner, you would also have prevented the birth of the minister.

It seems that we must wait, and keep an open mind. It may well be that eugenics will advance until it becomes an exact science; but not till then will it be legitimate to exercise such control over birth as to prevent the entrance into the body politic of a foreign and deleterious substance. At any rate, Dr. Lange's work is a very valuable contribution to a most important study.

Bad Boys by Accident.

Mrs. Le Mesurier's book has ultimately the same end as Dr. Lange's, and is not less valuable; but its whole tone and method are very different. It is a most unselfish work of which I have ever heard; and I could wish it were known to everybody. When boys

of sixteen to twenty come up before the magistrates for the first time, enormous possibilities, and the most delicate problems, arise. Some of them are "born" criminals, and ought to be put where they can do no harm. Others are there by sheer accident, by bad upbringing, by excess of high spirits, by faulty environment, by thousand preventable causes; and almost all of these may, by right treatment, be made useful members of society. A mistake of the magistrate may make all the difference. It is therefore necessary that the magistrate should know the facts; and it has been proved again and again that women are far better adapted than men for finding out those facts.

Saved From Ruin.

Mrs. Le Mesurier has a little band of women under her who, with a patience and energy beyond all praise, spend their days in discovering all that can be known about these boys as individuals: what he is, where he lives, what his parents are like, what temptations particularly move him. On the information they thus painfully collect, the magistrate can act with some degree of confidence. This boy will be treated in one way, that in another, this other, in a third. How many boys have been saved from ruin through the labours of Mrs. Le Mesurier and her conductors cannot be calculated—though she has so far not been ten years at her work. What will be the effect of similar toil carried on for a century we may dimly guess.

A GROUP OF NOVELS.

"THE WINDING LANE." By Philip Gibbs. Hutchinson, 7s. 6d.

"THE BLACK BOX." By M. P. Shiel. Richards Press, 7s. 6d.

"LETTY LYNTON." By Mrs. Belloc Lowndes. Heinemann, 7s. 6d.

"THE OTHER LAND." By Francesco Perri. Translated by J. Lewis. Bles, 7s. 6d.

"THE BOYS." By Ivan Nazhivin. Allen & Unwin, 7s. 6d.

More than once lately I have suspected a subversive movement on the part of the novelists; a tendency to say things likely to cause addition or disaffection among book reviewers. Too many of the new novels contain this sort of thing for it to be other than organised and defiant muting.

"Sir Philip Gibbs, for instance, introduces into 'The Winding Lane' a tall, willowy, thin-shouldered creature who 'drooped like a tired lily' and was 'a good soul, although a literary critic'."

Slaying Best-Sellers.

"Although," indeed, I have put the offending words into italics at my own expense to emphasise their full heinousness. There are men, I would remind the author, serving life sentences on Devil's Island for less. And as a matter of fact, she wasn't a good soul at all. She said of the hero's novel that 'every word is a jewel and every thought a flower,' which was silly; and she once kissed him in a taxi-cab, which was sad. Also she 'slew' best-sellers as a lady in Surrey will pluck weeds from a herbaceous border and cast them on the rubbish heap," which was simply stupid. In fact, I utterly disown her.

And I disown heroes who are novelists. It must be some months since I threatened annihilation to the next one I met. Yet here one comes again, as petted and precious and precious as ever. When, for instance, a rather skittish little mix asked Francis Brandon, the Surrey high-brow, if he did not feel that missing passion he missed all, he was at least a match for the mix. He replied:

"Oh, there are lots of things. Companionship. Interest in ideas. Beauty. Gossip. Birds. Sympathy. Knowledge."—which leads me to think that Sir Philip Gibbs despises novelists, as a class, nearly as much as he despises reviewers—as no class.

But, really, I have very little in common with Sir Philip's critics. I do not droop like a tired lily. Neither do I slay best-sellers.

Or, rather, not always. Indeed, I have no wish to slay anyone at the moment—least of all Sir Philip. Actually, I admire him. He is so agreeably English; substantial and strangled with the fine full veins of sentiment.

So, far from wishing to slay him, I would gladly make him my "best-seller," if I could—and if he would.

Lurid and Alluring.

Mr. M. P. Shiel's reputation is somewhat under a purple cloud. And the publication of "The Black Box" will leave it exactly where it was. This story again has a lurid and alluring fascination of its own. But a lurid wire entanglement could not keep a reader more effectively from it than the entanglement of phrases that the author puts up. For example: She stopped, as in, slim-built, stepped Miss Foy O'Connor, pre-tending to be a prince, but very female really, exhibiting between

her fingers a cigarette that brentched-out a grace of neck.

Indeed, I have just about as much respect for the author as a stylist as I would have for a man who chose the name of Hampton Court as a normal place for a walk.

"Letty Lynton" is an almost perfect example of the story founded on real life. It combines the dull duties of fact with the dignifying discipline of fiction. It convinces. And it fascinates. I spent a willing two hours reading a story that I had read before in a Famous Friends Series. Not, as I say, that Mrs. Belloc Lowndes keeps avidly to history. She alters and improves. The story of the real woman in the case is definitely not such good reading as the story of Letty Lynton. But, perhaps, it is rather too much to expect life in its rush to be the equal of art in its tranquillity.

Prize Fiction.

I picked up "The Other Land" with every kind of misgiving. For the jacket informed me that under the title of "Emigrants," in its original Italian, it had been awarded the Mondadori Prize. I have long since discovered that foreign prize committees and I are not always one in matters of literary taste. But I am glad to applaud in public the choice of Letty's solemn and dignified works.

And this is an amazing thing. For the book is not only intensely national but intensely local. It deals with a people inhabiting a region of Ionia; of which neither I, nor the nine-and-ninety others out of every hundred, have ever heard. Yet they became real and important to us as only the aristocracy of imaginary characters do.

And their sorrow—which is considerable—is ours.

Do not confuse this novel with any hazy halcyon ideas of Ionia you may have. Signor Perri shows life at its most terrible. And, somehow, he elevates us in showing it.

A Dog's-Eye View.

"The Dogs" has complete originality of subject and a slight stamp of subject in the translation. The book is a kind of dog's-eye view of Russia going to the dogs. The author avoids the gush of sentiment that usually overpowers in stories in which the chief characters are animal and not human. His sporting dogs move as minor, but observant, actors across a great historical drama.

Nevertheless, I suspect that M. Nazhivin begins towards the end of the tale to regret the singular limitations he had imposed upon himself by such a choice, for he noticeably grows less canine and more human. But it is a good story, reinforced by unusual vividness of vision.—MR. NORMAN R. COLLINS in the New Chronicle.

THE SILVER SCREEN.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"LET US BE GAY."

Norma Shearer again plays the piano in "Let Us Be Gay," her new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicle which is now at the Queen's Theatre.

In "The Last of Mrs. Cheynow" Miss Shearer was seen and heard playing at a society recital. In "Their Own Desire" she played the piano for Robert Montgomery. "The Divorcee" showed her playing at a party and now in her new film she plays for an impromptu quartet.

Robert Z. Leonard directed the picturization of the Rachel Crothers play with Rod La Rocque appearing opposite the star. Included in the supporting cast are Marie Dressler, Hedda Hopper, Sally Eiler, Raymond Hackett, Gilbert Emery and Tyrrell Davis.

"Let us be gay" is undoubtedly one of the finest talkies ever heard in Hong Kong. The acting throughout, especially that of Norma Shearer and Marie Dressler, is superb.

"ROUGH ROMANCE."

One of the most wistfully delightful heroines to come to the talking screen is Miss Helen Chandler in her role of Maria Reynolds in "Rough Romance," a Fox Movietone drama of the great open spaces coming shortly to the Queen's Theatre.

In "Rough Romance," Miss Chandler portrays a lovely child of the north woods who lives with her father in an isolated trading post and longs for love and laughter.

All three of them come to her with the advent of George O'Brien, who plays a dashing young lumberjack.

Others featured in the cast of "Rough Romance," which was directed by A. F. Erickson, are Antonio Moreno and Neel Francis.

CENTRAL THEATRE.

KING OF JAZZ.

"King of Jazz," which is now showing at full houses at the Central Theatre, is with-out doubt one of the most joyful, most prodigal, most unforgotten, most magnificent productions which have ever reached the screen.

This colossal revue is an all-musical and all-technical medley of inspiring spectacle, bewitching melody, matchless dancing, clever specialties and hilarious comedy; and in all of these its excellence is surprising.

If any particular features of so great an achievement as "King of Jazz" can be segregated for special praise, then those features must be the truly marvellous music reproduction, the conception and direction of the spectacle numbers, notably the "Melting Pot," the gorgeous dancing by the Russell Markert dancers throughout the picture, and the featured numbers of John Boles and Jeanette Loff.

Boles' splendid voice has already made him one of the most popular singing stars on the screen, but the combination of his beautiful baritone and Whiteman's music in such songs as "It Happened in Monterey" and "The Song of the Dawn," is superb.

Jeanette Loff is so beautiful and so talented that even in "King of Jazz" her presence is outstanding. She obviously is destined to become one of the reigning stars of the sound screen.

There are in all eight musical spectacle numbers which grandly sweep everything before them. Between these are the specialties and comedy black-outs, in which glitter a galaxy of names long famous on the screen, on the stage, in vaudeville lights and in the most celebrated night clubs.

"WHY BRING THAT UP?"

Charles Mack, of the famous team of Moran and Mack, the Two Black Crows, analyzed their humour and its success as follows: "Folks who get a kick out of a quick-fire comedy appreciate our slow brand, because... we give them... to... think. We get right away from speed and hand them slow-motion fun. They're mostly used to express speed stuff nowadays. They laugh. But we time every word; we have to. If I take a sentence only two seconds into no laugh."

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The story for "Why Bring That Up?" which comes to the Central Theatre on next change, was written by George Roy, who, with Moran and Mack, the Two Black Crows, however, wrote the dialogue in their own inimitable manner.

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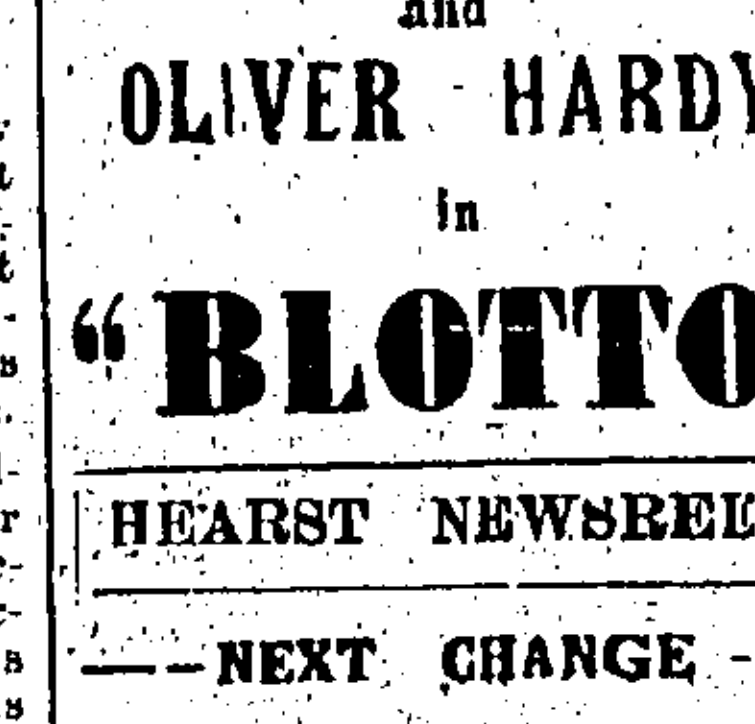
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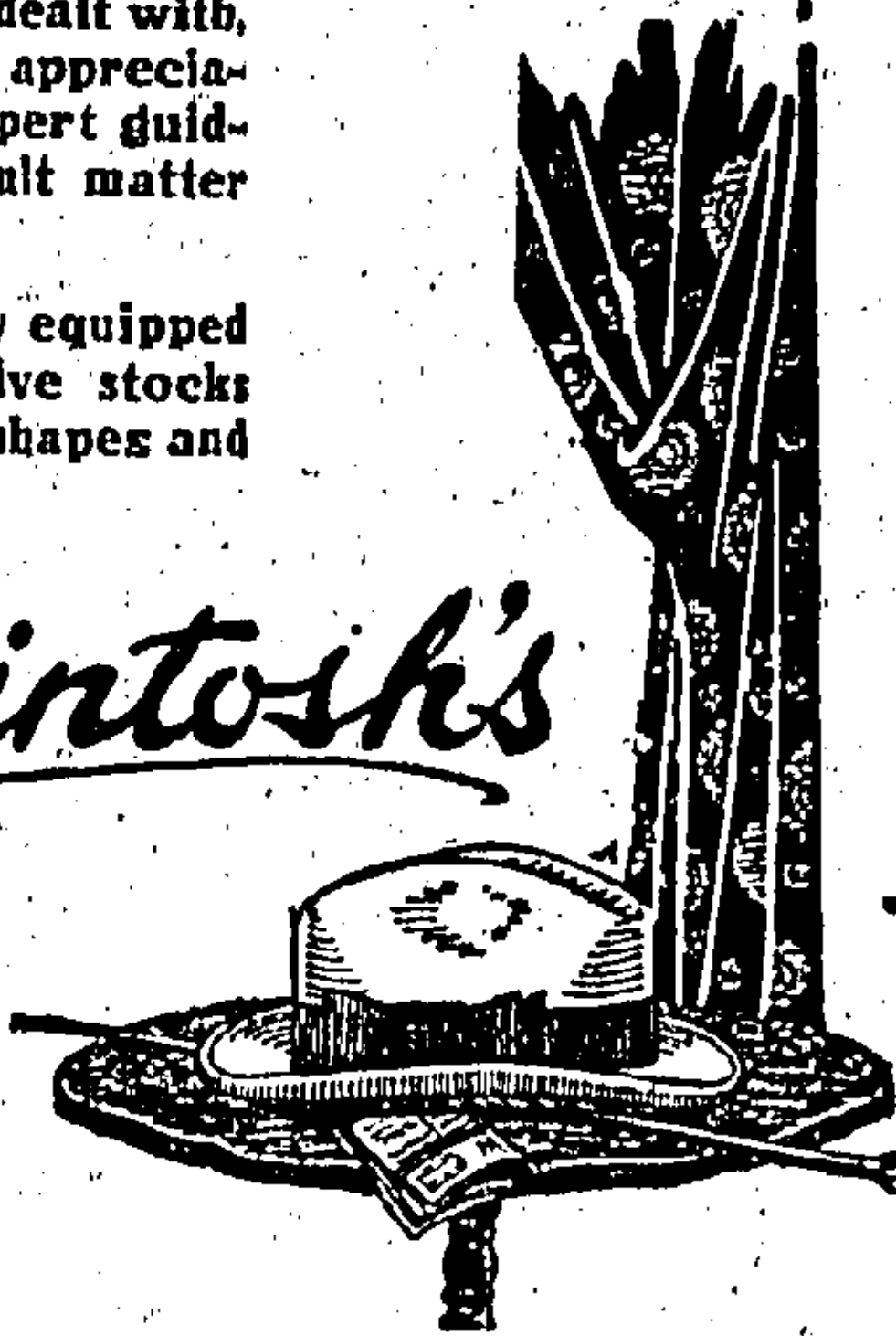
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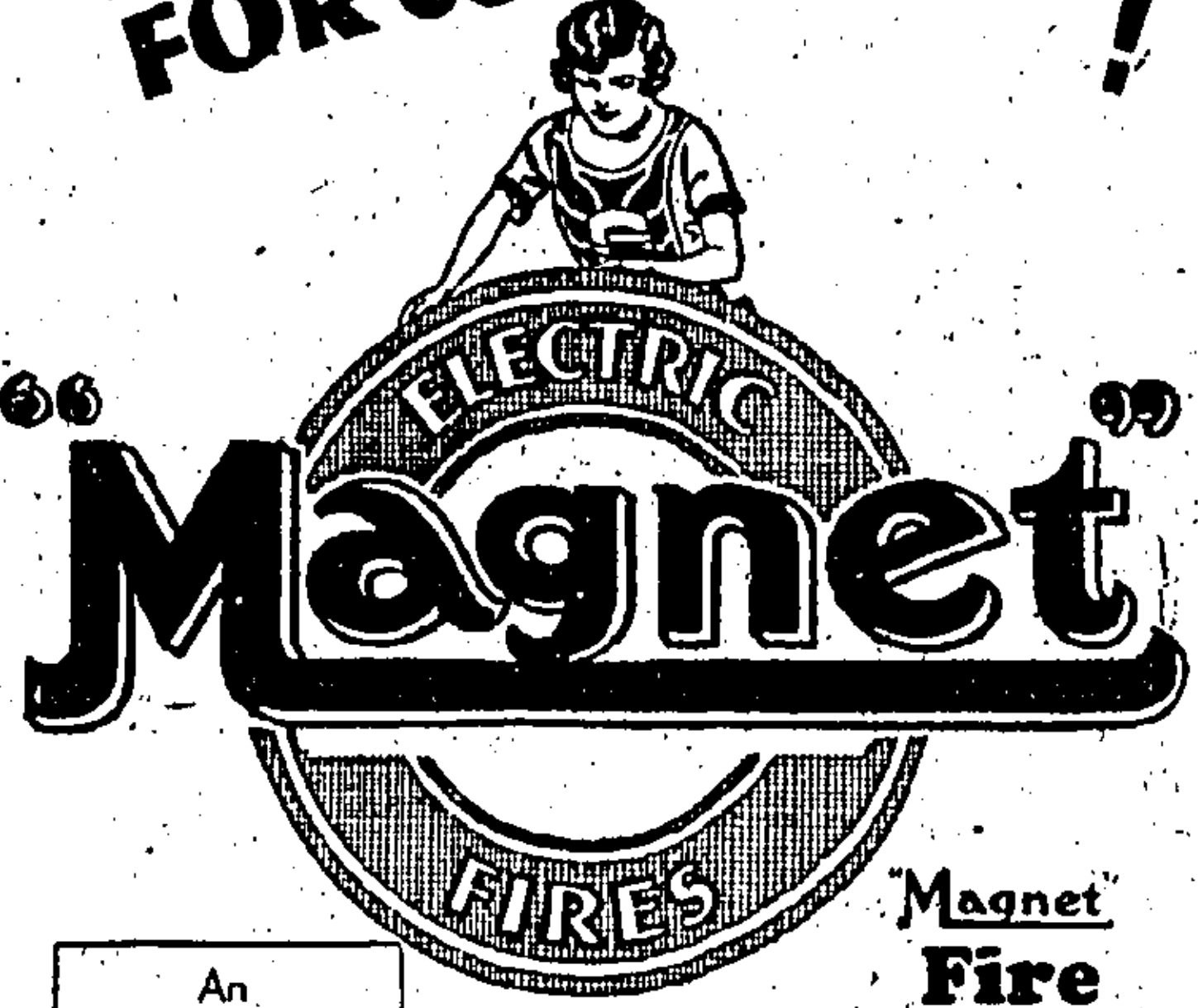
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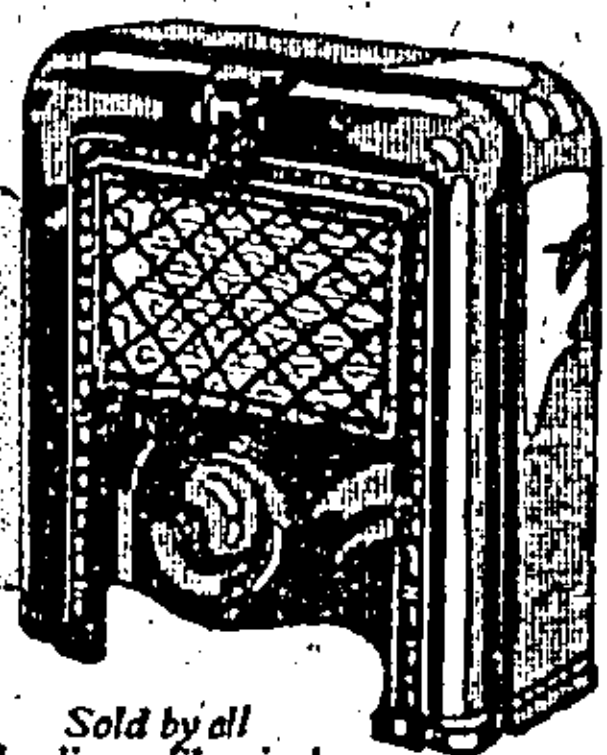
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[By "MORNING DEW"]

Although favourites were beaten on quite a few occasions yesterday, there was a distinct absence of big dividends, which went to show that the public were influenced by the success, on Saturday, of outsiders and consequently took care to see that no pony was too severely neglected.

The biggest surprise of yesterday's racing was the defeat of Apollo in the Governor's Cup by King's Bounty. The winner was beautifully handled by Y. S. Chang, who was the most successful jockey of the day, riding four winners and getting a third place.

The Dunbar candidates had a very successful day, Diana Bay accounting for the Victoria Stakes and Fortune Bay and Cyclamen Bay getting the Tyro Stakes and the Racing Stakes, respectively. Besides these winners the stable secured second places through Glenglen and Sittling Bull and third places through Hinawatha and Elliot Bay a one time Champion. The Dynasty stable was also equally successful, winning with King Willow, King's Bounty and Hetman and getting a number of places as well.

The Trial Plate fell to Messrs. Mackie and Grayburn's Spey, with two Chinese-owned ponies, Gold Key and Bright Star getting the remaining places. The win by Spey was an exceedingly popular one, and both owner and jockey were ovated as the pony was led into the weighing compound.

WHO WILL WIN TO-DAY'S DERBY?

The races yesterday leave the Derby question still unanswered. In two days' racing not a single griffin has won more than once. The winners have been Tom, Gold Key, Fortune Bay, Spey and Cyclamen Bay. It would not surprise me in the least if the Derby winner came from somewhere else. Fortune Bay, if he had not been defeated on the first day, would undoubtedly have been my choice, because his victory yesterday was very convincing. As it is, one can only surmise that there was some thing the matter with the pony on Saturday last. Perhaps the going did not suit him and the softer course of yesterday was more to his liking.

Spey's victory in the Trials was evidence of stamina and one can do worse than backing this pony. Gold Key is rather consistent, but after winning seven a mile the pony had to be satisfied with only second place over the mile and a quarter, and what will happen over a mile and a half can be well conjectured. Mr. Dunbar has two good candidates in Fortune Bay and Cyclamen Bay, and the latter might account for an upset. Valorous was twice third, and if he starts in the Derby I think he will not be very formidable. His chances are none too outstanding. If I were looking for a good outsider, I should see how Holly Leaf behaves in the paddocks, and if he gives the impression of being quite sound, I might put him down for a place, if not a win.

YESTERDAY'S RACING.

Coming back to yesterday's racing, there were several very interesting features. Wong started the day well for Mr. Ho Kom Tong by winning the Tower Stakes with Bridge Hall. There was very little opposition here except Armony, ridden by Mr. Heard. The latter held Armony well in and did not ask the pony for an effort until challenged by Bridge Hall which during the earlier part of the race had been satisfied with trailing behind the field. Armony and Bridge Hall had a good race up the straight, but Wong got more out of his mount than Heard and was able to win by three lengths. Iron Blood, after wrestling with a bad start came up with a terrific pace and obtained third place.

Fortune Bay Wins. Twelve ponies accepted for the Tyro Stakes for griffins and the event proved to be an easy win for Fortune Bay, who won by five lengths from Eros who again was no lengths ahead of Brunswick Hall. The remainder of the griffins, with the exception of Edensbridge, were a very poor lot, and Fortune Bay's victory does not necessarily prove him to be a pony of very great merit.

Diana Bay Gains Home. The Victoria Stakes was a fine race by reason of Diana Bay's appearance in the event. There were six starters, and although Ataman put up a fast race from the word "Go" there was never any doubt as to the ultimate winner. Diana Bay won as she liked, but the surprising thing about it was that she was able to register a victory in the slow time of 2 minutes and 5 seconds. Glenglen was second,

and Pickle, showing a flash of his old form, was third.

Chang's First Win.

S. Y. Chang started his string of successes from the Monahan Stakes, when he steered home King Willow in a field of 17. The winner was content to keep in the middle of the field most of the race, and when Mr. Wong tried to bring him through in the straight he found it impossible to get through the barrier of five or six ponies in front. When he did force his way through, it was too near the winning post to be useful. He had to be satisfied with third place. Not so King Willow. On entering the Village bend, Chang gradually sidled up on the rails, and at the distance post he was in front on the rails, winning by half a length from Good Day, who led practically all the way round.

Kilrea's Big Defeat.

The race for Australian ponies felt to Mr. Heard's Wattle, with The Raindrop taking second place and Queen Regent filling the remaining places. Kilrea a warm favourite was well beaten, the pony being spent after the first three-quarters and covered. Mr. Heard handled Wattle very well, but had Kilrea been ridden differently, that is to say, had a waiting policy been adopted in his case, a different tale might have been written. Kilrea is still, to my mind, the best Australian pony and will be worth following to-day.

Spey's Victory.

The Trial Plate, as stated before, went to Spey. This stable has won this event three times in four years, the successful candidates being Peck, Peppermint and Spey. Peppermint was third. What will happen to Spey?

The victory of Spey was a personal triumph on the part of Mr. A. F. Clark, who rode the winner to a victory, and took him out just at the right moment in the straight. Gold Key and Bright Star challenged him strongly, but the former was beaten by a neck and the latter was a further length behind.

First Big Surprise.

The first big surprise of the day came in the Governor's Cup when King's Bounty accounted for Apollo closely in the way, round. Apollo was hard-held at the post, a policy which permitted King's Bounty to keep within striking distance all the way. The latter drew level in the straight and ultimately came away to win by half a length after Apollo was all spent.

Chang's Third Win.

There was never a doubt as to who would win the Garrison Cup. I have never seen more confidence than that displayed by Chang on O-Moon in this race. Bridge Hall, which won in the morning, was saddled for this event and was the only pony to offer any opposition to the winner. Chang allowed O-Moon to canter comfortably behind the field and brought him out in the straight. He was still holding the grey at the distance post, and when Bridge Hall drew up, Wong applied the whip on the Hall, but O-Moon was too good, and when asked for an effort just drew away to win by half a length, but it might have been six lengths had Chang chosen to ride O-Moon out.

President Hall Wins.

With both forelegs in bandages, President Hall, started in the Chatter Cup and made a mess of both the much-favoured Dynasty ponies, King's Colour and Nationalist II, which finished in the order named in the Old Course Plate on Saturday. President Hall was kept at the back of the field most of the way and was only asked for an effort in the straight, when he came away to win easily. King's Colour was second and Nationalist II third.

A Close Finish.

The best finish of the meeting was seen in the Racing Stakes when Cyclamen Bay finished a short head in front of King's Justice, after the two had raced neck and neck half-way up the straight. At one stage King's Justice was actually in front, but Mr. Hill, riding the Bay, asked his mount for a great final effort and Cyclamen Bay responded at once to give Mr. Dunbar his third win of the day. There were 17 starters for the race. Valorous was third.

Hetman Qualifies.

Hetman qualified for the Champions by winning the Jockey Club Stakes from Sittling Bull and Elliot Bay. There were seven starters in the race, but there was nothing in it until the straight was reached when Sittling Bull and Hetman fought it out neck and neck for a greater part of the way. Elliot Bay joined in the contest a hundred yards from home, but petered out almost immediately afterwards. Hetman was pushed in the last few strides and drew in front by half a length. Vasylock, Jill, Gay Crusader and Wisdom Stag were among the unplaced.

Frost Again Wins.

If there were any question about the victory of The Grouse in the Valley Stakes being a fluke, it was settled when the pony won the Kalpan Plate in great style from a field of 27. Mr. Frost, after getting a good start, kept with the leaders most of the way. Tunney, ridden by Tung, gave a spirited challenge in the straight and gave every promise of beating Messrs. Hall and Shenton's pony, but found the latter very game and had to be satisfied with second place by a short head. Aeneas Leaf was third.

THE RESULTS.

1.—The Tower Stakes: Once Round.

Winner \$700. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies subscription griffins of this Club season. Weight 140 lbs. For each \$200 or part thereof won in stakes at any time 1 lb. extra. (Jockey allowance.)

Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Bridge Hall (Mr. T. L. Wong) 1
Mrs. R. M. Austin's Armony (Mr. A. J. P. Heard) 2
Mrs. Arick's Iron Blood (Mr. L. Frost) 3

Also ran:—Duke of Normandy II. (Mr. Tunney); Calder (Mr. Clark); Peter Guernsey (Mr. G. U. da Rosa); Bay of Calamity (Mr. Pih); Shanghai Beau (Mr. Frost); Happy Day (Mr. Pih); Monks (Mr. S. Chang); Awaken Lion (Mr. Charles); Mountain Rat (Mr. Harrison); Movanager (Mr. Botelho); The Jamaica (Mr. Pote-Hunt); The Quail (Mr. Quincey).
Won by three lengths; three between second and third.
Time: 1 min. 55.1-5 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$18.70
Places: 1st, \$4.90; 2nd, \$5.10; 3rd, \$18.50.

Betting. Winner. Place.
Duke of Normandy 38 31
Calder 18 10
Bridge Hall 285 383
Peter Guernsey 35 82
Bay of Calamity 12 21
Shanghai Beau 83 123
Happy Day 5 10
Armony 471 74
Monks 71 134
Awaken Lion 1 1
Mountain Rat 1 1
Movanager 2 10
Tom Thumb 2 0
The Jamaica 118 43
The Quail 112 131
Iron Blood 25 53

2.—The Tyro Stakes: From the Two Mile Post, Once Round and In.

Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies bound file griffins of this meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this meeting 7 lbs. extra. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Dunbar's Fortune Bay (Mr. Hill) 1
Mr. K. H. Kay's Eros (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 2
Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Brunswick Hall (Mr. Pau) 3

Also ran:—Duke of Longchamps (Mr. Tung); Bronze Eyes (Mr. Backhouse); Yankee (Mr. Fung); Thunderous Stag (Mr. Quincey); Silver Key (Mr. Harrison); Atlanta (Mr. Reidy); The Wind (Mr. H. C. Lee); Edensbridge (Mr. G. U. da Rosa); Northern Prince (Mr. Charles).
Won by five lengths; six lengths between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 16 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$0.70
Places: 1st, \$5.00; 2nd, \$0.70; 3rd, \$10.10.

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Betting. Winner. Place.
Duke of Longchamps 24 5
Fortune Bay 705 902
Eros 360 500
Bronze Eyes 21 74
Brunswick Hall 80 172
Yankee 5 2
Thunderous Stag 65 104
Silver Key 42 72
Atlanta 24 67
The Wind 1 0
Edensbridge 148 341
Northern Prince 6 29

3.—The Victoria Stakes: One Mile.
Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For all China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale.

Mr. Dunbar's Diana Bay (Mr. Hill) 1
Mr. Dunbar's Glenglen (Mr. Sokoloff) 2
Messrs. Mackie and Grayburn's Pickle (Mr. Clark) 3
Also ran:—Ataman (Mr. Pih); Misty Eye (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Orlando (Mr. Yue Shan Wa).
Won by two lengths; one length between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 5 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$5.10
Places: 1st, \$5.10; 2nd, \$5.20; 3rd, \$5.30.

4.—The Mongolian Stakes: One Mile.
Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For subscription griffins of this meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner of Valley Stakes 7 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance).

Mr. Dynasty's King's Willow (Mr. Y. S. Chang) 1
Messrs. and Chau's Good Day (Mr. H. C. Pih) 2
Mr. A. H. Carroll's Aeneas Leaf (Mr. T. L. Wong) 3
Also ran:—Duke of Normandy II. (Mr. Tunney); Summer Hall (Mr. Pih); Arctic Eye (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Pacer (Mr. Pih); Happy Day (Mr. Pih); Choice (Mr. Pih); Kew (Mr. H. C. Lee); Twilight (Mr. T. Y. Fung); Kwangai (Mr. Frost); Scallan (Mr. Arnold); Bay of Belingham II. (Mr. Hill); Demurer (Mr. Liang); Halekaha (Mr. Heard); Scappit (Mr. Roza); Happy Hit (Mr. Backhouse); Tay (Mr. Clark).
Won by half a length, half a length between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 10.1-5 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$21.40
Places: 1st, \$5.00; 2nd, \$23.60; 3rd, \$5.

5.—The Perth Plate: One Mile.
Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this meeting 7 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Mr. John's Wattle (Mr. Heard) 1
Mr. Fung Tang's Raindrop (Mr. Pan) 2
Mr. Dynasty's Queen Regent (Mr. Chang) 3
Also ran:—Thunderclap (Mr. Quincey); Kilrea (Mr. Frost); Pegasus (Mr. Reidy); Knightbridge (Mr. Roza); Evening Star (Mr. Pih); Duke of St. Cloud (Mr. Tung); St. Moritz (Mr. Clark); Caulfield (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Cygnus (Mr. Charles); The Bustard (Mr. Frost); Rosedrop (Mr. Harrison).
Won by two lengths, half a length between second and third.
Time: 1 min. 57.3-5 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$27
Places: 1st, \$10.00; 2nd, 40.50; 3rd, \$31.20.

Betting. Winner. Place.
Thunderclap 67 359
Kilrea 1,434 1,387
Pegasus 81 228
Knightbridge 23 85
Evening Star 28 42
Wattle 414 730
Queen Regent 71 157
Rosedrop 12 17
Duke of St. Cloud 12 30
St. Moritz 127 301
Caulfield 65 94
The Raindrop 42 92
Cygnus 10 23
The Bustard 115 183

6.—The Trial Plate: 1½ Miles.
Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies, bound file griffins of this meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Messrs. Mackie and Grayburn's Spey (Mr. A. F. Clark) 1
Mr. L.T.F.'s Gold Key (Mr. T. Y. Tung) 2
Messrs. Kong Bros' Bright (Mr. S. N. Pan) 3
Also ran:—Paul Pry (Mr. Harrison); Daylight Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Holly Leaf (Mr. Wong); Mr. Siegler (Mr. Reidy); Sans Houston (Mr. Heard); The Blackcock (Mr. Frost).
Won by a neck; a length between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 10 sec. (record).
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$36.80
Places: 1st, \$10.30; 2nd, \$12.00; 3rd, \$20.10.

7.—The Governor's Cup: 1½ Miles.
Presented by H.E. the Governor, with \$750 added for winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For all China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins of this meeting allowed 7 lbs. extra. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Dynasty's King's Bounty (Mr. Y. S. Chang) 1
Mr. Chun Tin Son's Apollo (Mr. L. P. Quincey) 2
Mrs. Dunbar's Hinawatha (Mr. M. M. Sokoloff) 3
Also ran:—Coronation Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Four Gulls (Mr. Keith Murray); Erin's Isle (Mr. Fawcett).
Won by a length, six lengths between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 31 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$58.50
Places: 1st, \$7.40; 2nd, \$5.40; 3rd, \$5.

8.—The Garrison Cup: One Mile.
Presented by the Officers of the Garrison, with \$500 added for winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For subscription griffins of this Club of any season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 3 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Parkson Chan's O'Moon (Mr. Chang) 1
Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Bridge Hall (Mr. Wong) 2
Mr. Wilson's Mongolian Stag (Mr. Heard) 3
Also ran:—Sonny Boy (Mr. Tung); Sunny Day (Mr. Pih); The Phœnix (Mr. Clark); Pacey (Mr. G. Roza); Flornote (Mr. Liang); Sans Souci (Mr. Backhouse); Nankin (Mr. Charles).
Won by half a length; four lengths between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 7.5 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$11.30
Places: 1st, \$7.30; 2nd, \$12.10; 3rd, \$11.40.

9.—The Garrison Cup: One Mile.
Presented by the Officers of the Garrison, with \$500 added for winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For subscription griffins of this Club of any season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 3 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Parkson Chan's O'Moon (Mr. Chang) 1
Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Bridge Hall (Mr. Wong) 2
Mr. Wilson's Mongolian Stag (Mr. Heard) 3
Also ran:—Sonny Boy (Mr. Tung); Sunny Day (Mr. Pih); The Phœnix (Mr. Clark); Pacey (Mr. G. Roza); Flornote (Mr. Liang); Sans Souci (Mr. Backhouse); Nankin (Mr. Charles).
Won by half a length; four lengths between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 7.5 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$11.30
Places: 1st, \$7.30; 2nd, \$12.10; 3rd, \$11.40.

10.—The Garrison Cup: One Mile.
Presented by the Officers of the Garrison, with \$500 added for winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For subscription griffins of this Club of any season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 3 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Parkson Chan's O'Moon (Mr. Chang) 1
Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Bridge Hall (Mr. Wong) 2
Mr. Wilson's Mongolian Stag (Mr. Heard) 3
Also ran:—Sonny Boy (Mr. Tung); Sunny Day (Mr. Pih); The Phœnix (Mr. Clark); Pacey (Mr. G. Roza); Flornote (Mr. Liang); Sans Souci (Mr. Backhouse); Nankin (Mr. Charles).
Won by half a length; four lengths between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 7.5 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$11.30
Places: 1st, \$7.30; 2nd, \$12.10; 3rd, \$11.40.

11.—The Garrison Cup: One Mile.
Presented by the Officers of the Garrison, with \$500 added for winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For subscription griffins of this Club of any season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 3 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Parkson Chan's O'Moon (Mr. Chang) 1
Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Bridge Hall (Mr. Wong) 2
Mr. Wilson's Mongolian Stag (Mr. Heard) 3
Also ran:—Sonny Boy (Mr. Tung); Sunny Day (Mr. Pih); The Phœnix (Mr. Clark); Pacey (Mr. G. Roza); Flornote (Mr. Liang); Sans Souci (Mr. Backhouse); Nankin (Mr. Charles).
Won by half a length; four lengths between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 7.5 sec.
Parimutuel:—
Winner: \$11.30
Places: 1st, \$7.30; 2nd, \$12.10; 3rd, \$11.40.

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YESTERDAY'S RACING.

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4.)

Betting.	Winner.	Place.
Sunny Boy	215	357
Sunny Day	120	203
The Phœnix	633	893
O-Moon	1,392	1,595
Bridge Hall	316	514
Piecy	257	598
Flornotta	37	47
Cream Cracker	296	486
Mongolian Stag	371	570
Sue Senel	38	55
Naukhall	60	117

9.—The Chatter Cup: 14 Miles.

Presented with \$1,000 added. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies, that have run in at least five Extra Meetings in Hong Kong during the season 1930, two or three of such meetings previous to July 1, 1930, and two or three subsequent to that date. Weight for inches as per scale. (Jockey allowance.) Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Ho Kom Tung's President Hall (Mr. Wong) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King's Colour (Mr. Roza) 2
Mr. Dynasty's Nationalist II (Mr. Chung) 3

Also ran:—Chesapeake Bay (Mr. Tung); Fifty Fifty (Mr. H. C. Lee); New Year's Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Mount Elburz (Mr. Proulx); Marquis Hall (Mr. Colman); Christmas Chimes (Mr. Roza); Blue Boy (Mr. Reidy); Peppercorn (Mr. Backhouse); Little Thunder (Mr. Fung); Piccadilly (Mr. Clark); Mike (Mr. Stanton).

Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time: 2 mins. 31.25 secs. Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$18.30.
Places: 1st, \$6.10; 2nd, \$6.40; 3rd, \$6.60.

Betting.	Winner.	Place.
Chesapeake Bay	153	210
President Hall	1,032	1,191
Fifty Fifty	39	45
New Year's Eve	85	146
Mount Elburz	29	60
Marquis Hall	37	50
Christmas Chimes	156	347
Blue Boy	35	58
Peppercorn	21	50
Little Thunder	28	39
Nationalist II	1,730	2,141
King's Colour	672	932
Piccadilly	65	75
Mike	102	263

10.—The Racing Stakes: One Mile.

Winner \$300. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China ponies, griffins of this meeting and China-ponies that have never won a race anywhere. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. (Jockey allowance.) Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Dunbar's Oryelmen Bay (Mr. Hill) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King's Services (Mr. Chung) 2
Mr. Aitch Aitch's Valorous (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 3

Also ran:—Wonderful Stag (Mr. Quincey); Tiana (Mr. Sokoloff); Juststone (Mr. Tung); Cloudy Eye (Mr. Clark); Bright Eyes (Mr. Backhouse); Chari (Mr. Reidy); Morning Star (Mr. Pih); Frillery (Mr. Roza); Leveret (Mr. Proulx); Heliotrope Leaf (Mr. Liang); Britannic Hall (Mr. Pan); Christmas Knight (Mr. Heard); The Plover (Mr. Frost); Redskins (Mr. Stanton).

Won by short head; two lengths and a half between second and third. Time: 2 mins. 5 secs. Pari-mutuel:—

Winner \$14.60.
Places: 1st, \$6.30; 2nd, \$6.00; 3rd, \$6.10.

Betting.	Winner.	Place.
Wonderful Stag	291	358
Tiana	195	359
Juststone	1,120	1,402
Cadestone	18	45
Cloudy Eye	38	53
Bright Eyes	10	21
China (late King of Arms)	29	38
Valorous	789	1,071
King's Justice	659	987
Morning Star	53	45
Frillery	51	90
Leveret	27	59
Heliotrope Leaf	14	10
Britannic Hall	28	52
Christmas Knight	68	100
The Plover	336	438
Redskins	10	10

11.—The Jockey Club Stakes: 11 Miles.

Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins of this meeting allowed 5 lbs. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. Winners at this meeting 5 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance.) Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Dynasty's Hotman (Mr. Chung) 1
Mrs. Dunbar's Sitting Bull (Mr. Hill) 2
Mr. Dunbar's Elliot Bay (Mr. Sokoloff) 3

Also ran:—Jill (Mr. Clark); Vasy (Mrs. Glyn); Day (Mr. Backhouse); (Mr. Pote-Hunt).

Won by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time: 2 mins. 34 secs. Pari-mutuel:—

Winner \$11.20.
Places: 1st, \$6.00; 2nd, \$5.80; 3rd, \$5.60.

CANTON RIDE.

POSTPONED TILL NEXT SUNDAY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, March 2.
Owing to the inclement weather, the Canton Ride was again forced to postpone its races scheduled for yesterday till next Sunday, March 3.
The postponement was decided upon during the last hour or two before starting. No notices of any kind were put up over Chungshan Road leading from the city to the racetrack, or in any other place as far as the writer could ascertain. Consequently, a large number of persons, including your correspondent, went out in automobile to the racetrack at Shekpi in the hope of seeing the races, but had to return upon learning of the postponement.

Your correspondent understands that the Ride will be held next Sunday if good, clear weather prevails. Contrary to previous reports, the coming ride at Shekpi is confined to members of the Canton Ride.

KIANGSI ANTI-COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN.

OPERATIONS TO COMMENCE NEXT WEEK.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, March 2.
General Chiang Kwong Nai, Commander-in-Chief of the 10th Military Route, left Canton yesterday for Shikwan by train on his way to Kiangsi to direct the campaign against the Communists and bandits there.
The General was accompanied by his staff and several hundred battle-scarred soldiers who had fought in several hard campaigns. They were all discharged from the Canton Military Hospital.

According to General Chiang, these men will make excellent soldiers because of their experience and bravery, and are just the kind of men he needs.

In an interview with local Pressmen just before his departure for Shikwan, the General said he expected to join his troops in Kiangsi in about a week from now. From Shikwan he will proceed to Nanking, entering Kiangsi through the Tai Yu Mountains at this point.

There has been considerable difficulty between soldiers and auto companies of late. A car belonging to an agency for a well-known gasoline and oil company went out from here one day, driven by the mechanic instead of the regular chauffeur. Near the district city of Dengang a member of the merchant police ordered the driver to stop. He kept on, and was shot and killed. It is reported that the shop by which he was employed demanded \$4,000 and the execution of the man who shot him, and received \$800 cash and the promise of the execution.

A few days later regular soldiers of the "Protect the Peace" brigade were commanding cars for transport. Car companies very much dislike having cars commandeered, as they are always loaded far beyond the proper limit, rarely given compensation, often forced to go into dangerous places, and when soldiers have left the cars the chauffeurs are killed and the cars burned by the enemy. Rumour has it that six cars were thus burned near Kimkong (Ching-mai district city) shortly before the new year.

On this particular day a car set out from Kadek for U-dik (Yellow Bamboo) market, some twenty miles distant, loaded with salt fish and carrying three or four men as passengers. Hearing that cars were being commandeered, they took a byroad until they thought they were beyond the danger point, but on going back into the main road they were met by soldiers and ordered to stop. They did not obey and two shots were fired into the car. Three men were wounded, all abnormally. The driver listened and returned to Kadek. One man died before he reached here. The

THE SELECTIONS.

The selections for to-day are as follows:—

Race 1.	Race 2.	Race 3.	Race 4.	Race 5.	Race 6.	Race 7.	Race 8.	Race 9.	Race 10.	Race 11.	Race 12.
Crown Prince.	No. 1186	No. 604	No. 399	No. 292	No. 1186	No. 604	No. 399	No. 292	No. 1186	No. 604	No. 399
Lobster Bay.	8,813.00	8,813.00	8,813.00	8,813.00	8,813.00	8,813.00	8,813.00	8,813.00	8,813.00	8,813.00	8,813.00
Britannic Hall.	1,089.00	1,089.00	1,089.00	1,089.00	1,089.00	1,089.00	1,089.00	1,089.00	1,089.00	1,089.00	1,089.00
King's Bounty.	514.50	514.50	514.50	514.50	514.50	514.50	514.50	514.50	514.50	514.50	514.50
Glennegles.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Royal Flush.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Fortune Bay.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Spey.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Gold Key.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
King Willow.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
The Grouse.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Azules Leaf.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Woodland Stag.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Vattle.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Kilrea.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Apollo.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Atampan.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Fill.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Eros.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
King's Justice.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Daylight Eve.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Sitting Bull.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Coronation Eve.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Vasylock.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Mongolian Stag.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Bridge Hall.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Song Bay.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Bright Star.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
King's Service.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Brunswick Hall.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
President Hall.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Nationalist II.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Good Day.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Jan Stewer.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40
Scrappit.	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40	307.40

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ECONOMIC DEPRESSION FELT IN HAINAN ISLAND.

SOME DIFFICULTIES OF BUSINESS AT THE PRESENT TIME.

MOTOR TRADE IN DIFFICULTIES WITH SOLDIERS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

KACHIK, Hainan, Feb. 25.

This has not been a very prosperous year in Hainan. Around Kachik the two rice harvests were scanty—barely a half the normal amount in some places. Out in the villages these last few weeks before the holiday, many people have been weaving rattan baskets, making all sorts of household articles of wood and wicker, and turning out unusual numbers of bamboo hats, husk raincoats, and grass shoes, to "protect the mouth," i.e., secure money to buy food. I have never heard the expression so frequently used in my sixteen years in China.

The disturbed condition of the country is a large factor in the general depression. Exchange as yet has no great effect except in the minority of cases where imported products are concerned. A case in point is that of a young man in the market desiring to set up in business for himself. He has a small rice shop and wished to purchase a machine to polish rice. The only outfit available for purchase in Hong Kong would necessitate a capital investment of about \$10,000 and it would need continuous working to net any profit. The market has no electric plant so an engine would be needed for power. Unable to finance such a venture, the young man, next sought to secure the agency here for a well-known brand of gasoline and motor oil. The head office on the island demanded \$30,000 for this concession—\$10,000 worth of supplies to be purchased outright, \$10,000 in cash, and \$10,000 in equipment. So it is difficult to see how the younger men can set themselves up in business these days.

Motor Driver Killed.

There has been considerable difficulty between soldiers and auto companies of late. A car belonging to an agency for a well-known gasoline and oil company went out from here one day, driven by the mechanic instead of the regular chauffeur. Near the district city of Dengang a member of the merchant police ordered the driver to stop. He kept on, and was shot and killed. It is reported that the shop by which he was employed demanded \$4,000 and the execution of the man who shot him, and received \$800 cash and the promise of the execution.

A few days later regular soldiers of the "Protect the Peace" brigade were commanding cars for transport. Car companies very much dislike having cars commandeered, as they are always loaded far beyond the proper limit, rarely given compensation, often forced to go into dangerous places, and when soldiers have left the cars the chauffeurs are killed and the cars burned by the enemy. Rumour has it that six cars were thus burned near Kimkong (Ching-mai district city) shortly before the new year.

On this particular day a car set out from Kadek for U-dik (Yellow Bamboo) market, some twenty miles distant, loaded with salt fish and carrying three or four men as passengers. Hearing that cars were being commandeered, they took a byroad until they thought they were beyond the danger point, but on going back into the main road they were met by soldiers and ordered to stop. They did not obey and two shots were fired into the car. Three men were wounded, all abnormally. The driver listened and returned to Kadek. One man died before he reached here. The

other two were taken to the mission hospital. One succumbed to his injuries the following day and the other recovered. Not daring to demand reparation from regular soldiers, we hear that the families concerned are threatening to sue the car driver. Certainly cars should stop when ordered to do so by legitimate officials, but there is little if any excuse for such indiscriminate shooting.

A Mission Celebration.

February 20, the World Day of Prayer for Missions, was observed by the Kachik church with a service in a village some six miles from the market. Since this was the fourth of the first month, more women could be reached in the villages than in the markets, and this particular village has a number of Christian homes. There was an attendance of about a hundred and twenty at the meeting. The regular programme for the day, translated and adapted from the English programme by the National Christian Council, was followed as closely as possible. Previous to the new year the men of the mission compound took advantage of the crowds in the markets and went out in their cars with the native pastor and evangelists, visiting several market towns each day, distributing tracts, selling Scripture portions, and Christian literature and posters. This is only one of the ways in which the motor-car is proving a valuable asset in evangelistic work.

Chinese New Year.

This is almost the end of the New Year season, and in spite of government edicts that observance has been, locally at least, as intensive as usual. The local middle school, a provincial one, had received instructions to keep on with their work without vacation. The principal and a number of the teachers were on the job—but they had no pupils! The students had agreed among themselves not to return until after the fifth of the first month, and to punish any student who did return. The McCormick School, on the Presbyterian Mission Compound, is a registered school and this was obliged to keep open also. The principal was here and the bell was rung as usual Tuesday morning—and the six or eight small boys on the compound who responded were excused for the day.

In talking over the government regulations about vacations this year, the principal said the new rules had made it very difficult to accomplish much for nearly two months and a half. The two weeks of vacation over Christmas and the western new year left only about two weeks before the week of reviewing preparatory to semester examinations. There came examinations, and the prescribed inter-semester vacation of several days. Many pupils did not return after the former new year vacation, preferring to wait until after Chinese New Year, and others did not return from the vacation after examinations. So it was very difficult to secure any thorough work over this period. Presumably the matter will gradually adjust itself—but transition years are always difficult, and the former schedule which allowed for a Chinese New Year vacation of some three to four weeks between semesters obliterated many of the difficulties, and left each semester a unit. If the new year came late, as this year, semesters could be unequal in length—say twenty weeks and sixteen weeks, on the old nine-months basis. It is to be hoped that the Ministry of Education can work out a more practicable schedule than the present one before next year. Certainly in interior districts at least, the observance of the old style new year will not cease immediately, regardless of government edicts.

KOWLOON WEDDING.

MISS OLIVE HULBERT AND MR. ERNEST BIRD.

At St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday, Miss Olive Hulbert, of 41, Welbeck Avenue, Southampton, daughter of Mr. J. O. Hulbert, was married to Mr. Ernest Charles Bird, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bird, who were present at the wedding. The Rev. W. Walton Rogers performed the ceremony.

The bride, who was given away by the groom's father, wore a flowing blue nylon frock with large blue picture hat, and she carried a bouquet of pink roses.

The matron of honour was Mrs. Bird, mother of the groom. She chose a black lace dress with black lace hat.

Mr. C. Bickford discharged the duties of "best man."

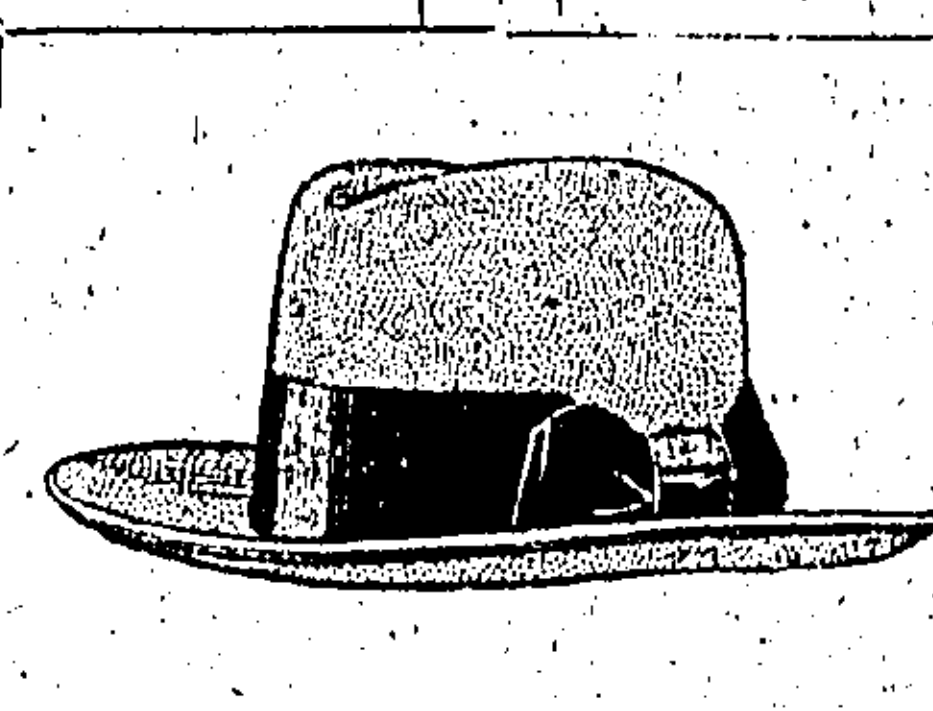
A reception was held afterwards at Empress Lodge where many congratulations were offered to the happy couple. They left later for Naples Bay, where the honeymoon is being spent. The bride's travelling dress was of flowered green tulle de chine with large silk and hat to match.

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By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Lieut. Col.,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 3rd Mar. 1931. [401]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONG KONG.ORIGINAL JURISDICTION
Action No. 23 of 1931.

BETWEEN—
FREDERICK HOWARD
Kew, Trading as
FRED KEW & Co., Plaintiff
AND
PONG ZIE LAING, Defendant

TO the Above-named Defendant—
PONG ZIE LAING.

TAKE NOTICE that this Action was on the 3rd day of JANUARY, 1931, commenced against you and that the Plaintiff by his Writ of Summons claims against you as Maker of His General Promissory Notes all dated the 28th day of OCTOBER, 1925, in favour of the Plaintiff (of which said Notes Three are payable One Year from Date and Three are payable Two Years from Date) the sum of \$77,522.02 being as to \$25,500.00 Principal on the said Several Notes and as to \$52,022.02 Interest thereon and that the Plaintiff also claims Interest at 8% Per Annum on \$10,000, 9% Per Annum on \$5,000.00 and 10% Per Annum on \$10,000.00 as from the 24th day of JANUARY, 1931, to the Date of Payment or Judgment.

AND TAKE NOTICE that the Court has by Order dated the 21st day of FEBRUARY, 1931, authorised service of the said Writ of Summons on you by delivery of a Copy thereof and of the said Order to some Adult Inmate Resident at No. 11, Yue Kwong Terrace, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, and by Advertisement in Two Chinese Newspapers and in Two Chinese Newspapers published in this Colony and by posting a Notice thereof at the Court House.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that if you desire to defend the said Action you are required within 14 days after the Publication of this Advertisement to enter an Appearance at the Supreme Court, Victoria, Hong Kong, in default of such Appearance Judgment may be entered against you.

WILKINSON & GRIFFITH,
The Plaintiff's Solicitors,
No. 8, Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong. [400]

BANK HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will OPEN at 9.30 A.M. and will CLOSE at 12 NOON, for the TRANS ACTION OF PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 2nd, 3rd and 4th MARCH, (RACE MEETING).

Hong Kong, 26th Feb. 1931. [375]

NOTICE.

THE HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE will be CLOSED on MONDAY, 2nd, TUESDAY, 3rd, and WEDNESDAY, 4th MARCH, 1931, at NOON, during the RACE MEETING.

By Order of the Committee,
A. NISSIM,
Secretary. [382]

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1930, at the Rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of One Pound Sterling at Exchange 1/2 is payable on and after the 2nd MARCH, 1931, at the Office of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 26th Feb. 1931. [394]

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TENDERS FOR SUPPLY OF TIMBER AND TIMBER MATERIALS should be sent to NAVAL STORE OFFICE by 11th MARCH.

The Right is reserved of Rejecting all or any Tenders and of accepting any portion of a Tender. [389]

HONG KONG TECHNICAL
INSTITUTE.

THE INSTITUTE WILL REOPEN
on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4th.

ENTRY FORMS and Copies of PROSPECTUS may be obtained at the EDUCATION DEPARTMENT or at the CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL.

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NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE undermentioned Certificate for 40 Shares in this Company, registered in the Name of FREDERICO MOLASCO DASILVA, has been declared LOST. If at the Expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the following Share Certificate is not produced to the Company, namely, Certificate No. 1192 for 40 Shares Nos. (3) 1931/223, (10) 6-90/229, (5) 11381/1935, (20) 10446/10448, a New Certificate for the said Shares will be issued by the Company, and thereafter No Other will be acknowledged.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
Hong Kong, 22th Feb. 1931. [318]

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.30 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone has weakened and moved eastward, it is now central over S. Korea. The monsoon will moderate along the S.E. Coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Local Forecast:—East winds, strong; moderating; overcast; some rain and fog.

MARRIAGE.

JULIAN ROACH.—On February 21, at Shanghai, CHARLES OTIS JULIAN, son of Mrs. E. W. MACLEAN, of Vancouver, B.C., to VERONICA (Vera) MARQUETTE ROACH, daughter of the late Mr. C. E. ROACH, and Mrs. EDWIN VICTOR, Hobbs of Shanghai.

DEATHS.

BAPTISTA.—At his residence, No. 6, Caine Road, Hong Kong, MARCIANO ANTONIO BAPTISTA, (Shanghai papers please copy).

LAZAREFF.—On February 23, in Shanghai, NINA EMMANUEL LAZAREFF, aged 38 years. Dearest beloved wife of P. A. LAZAREFF.

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The Daily Press.

Hong Kong, March 3, 1931.

INDIA'S BUDGET.

India, like the rest of the world, with the sole exception of Great Britain, is becoming increasingly protectionist. After the Mutiny a low tariff was devised on cotton goods, in addition to that already imposed on manufactured articles, but from 1892 to 1894 the country enjoyed the full blessings of Free Trade. In the latter year, tariffs were started again and the customs, which include export as well as import duties, last year accounted for over half the revenue of the Central Government. Now, in order to meet a deficit of 14 crores (a crore is £750,000), considerable increases were announced by the Finance Minister of the Executive Council, Sir George Schuster, in introducing the budget. The new taxes are evidently framed with a view to meeting political demands half way, as well as to raising revenue. Mr. GANDHI, it will be remembered, has called for complete prohibition in India, and the Government gives him an increase in duties from 30 to 40 per cent. on wines and spirits and 60 per cent. on beer. Cotton duties go up five per cent., which will hardly please Manchester, while motor spirit and kerosene also have to pay more, but the extra duty is hardly sufficient to restore the quiet of the pre-automobile age to the highways of India. The import duty on sugar is to go up, and between five and ten lakhs are to be used in subsidising the sugar industry and for research work for the benefit of that commodity.

The references to silver will be of special interest to Hong Kong. They do not offer, however, very much encouragement, though the Finance Minister strenuously maintains that the proposed increase of two annas an ounce on silver bullion will not affect India's con-

sumption of that metal. Sir George Schuster is not very sympathetic in his attitude towards America's suggestions that while that country should go on producing as before from her mines, the Indian Government should refrain from selling. He thought that a "one-sided arrangement." The Chairman of the Directors of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank emphasised this aspect of the silver problem, no nation being prepared to make sacrifices, and at the same time have the mortification of seeing other nations reap the benefits. Once more it was stated that the silver slump is a symptom of the world's economic depression. But, other metals have fallen equivalently and the causes might be the same.

"If there is to be any international Conference for dealing with silver it would be of far greater value to the world if it could also deal with those other factors in the present world situation, which might be effected by international co-operation."

The unfortunate thing is that every country has excellent reasons for not making sacrifices. If all "played fair," each would benefit in the end, but that is not practical politics. Meanwhile India is carefully fostering her industries, and putting her own interests first. And that is what every other country is doing, with, perhaps, one exception!

NEW YORK TO INDIA IN
11 DAYS.

ARRANGEMENTS have recently been completed between Imperial Airways, the Cunard Steamship Company, and the White Star Line for the institution of a new combined high-speed air and ocean freight service which is at first to extend from New York via London to India. It is also hoped, in the near future, to arrange connections with the trans-American air-mail service, giving a 12,000 miles air-ocean-air service from San Francisco to India. A parcel from the western seaboard of America will on the institution of this through service be flown 3,000 miles across the United States to New York. Here, twice a week, connections will be established with White Star and Cunard eastbound Royal Mail liners, such as the "Olympic" or "Aquitania." After its 3,000 miles ocean passage in one of these vessels, the parcel will be transferred to an Armstrong-Siddeley air-liner of Imperial Airways for its journey over Europe to Athens. Then, after an aerial voyage above the Mediterranean in a large 3-engined Short-Jupiter flying boat, the parcel will be transferred again to a big De Havilland-Jupiter land-plane for its final stages across the Gulf and India. By this air and ocean route a parcel will be conveyed from San Francisco to India in not more than 14 days, while the time of transit from New York to India will be only 11 days.

Mr. A. Douglas Cowburn, the South London coroner, gave a few words of advice to mothers at a Comberwell inquest. "It cannot be too often emphasised," he said, "how dangerous it is to take young children into bed with parents. They should be put in a separate cot. If parents cannot get a cot then they should get an orange box from the nearest greengrocer and pad the box with suitable material so that the child can lie snug and warm."

★ News and Views ★

The Economic Mission Dinner.

The dinner given on Friday night by the British Economic Mission was perhaps the best affair of its kind, as regards menu and wines, that there has been in Hong Kong for a very long time. The array of glasses in front of each cover was quite formidable, and the little nip of vodka with which the meal started laid an excellent foundation. Many Scotsmen were sturdily faithful to the native brew, but most of the guests found the opening glass of sherry so good that they could refuse nothing after that. The speeches were eloquent, and to the point and the evening in every way enjoyable. It was certainly a triumph for the Peninsula Hotel and all who were responsible for "the arrangements," not forgetting the head chef.

"Father Thames."

Mr. Edgar Shand, "the Father of the Thames Steamers," as he has been called, has died at the age of 84. He was a most interesting old gentleman with an encyclopedic knowledge of the Thames. When he joined the company that ran the Royal Sovereign it was one of his hobbies to mingle with the passengers aboard on the trips to Southend and Margate and to point out various features on either bank and to explain such points as the vessel passed. His face would light up with joy when he saw a picturesque "wind-jammer," though he never served in sail, for he started life as a waterman and worked his way up to become secretary of the old London Steamship Company and to buy, about 20 years ago, 14 L.C.C. steamers.

"Jix's" Mother.

The mother of Lord Brentford and Sir Maxwell Hicks, who has died in her 91st year at her home at Bromley, where she lived so that she could still keep in touch with her successful family, had a feeling of direct responsibility for her children's characters and behaviour which is held by few young mothers of to-day. At 87 or so Mrs. Hicks, still in great mental vigour, told the *Evening Standard* something of her educational methods. She gave her children, exercises in self-denial and trained them to be actively charitable. "It's true, mother, what you told us about God giving back what you gave Him," one of her little boys told her excitedly one day. "I gave a penny to a beggar this afternoon and soon after I found a shilling."

Mr. Briand's Health.

The anxieties expressed some months ago regarding the state of M. Briand's health and the security of his political position have proved unfounded. Politically, he is for the moment, stronger than ever before. True it is that some time ago he was afflicted with a slight nervous weakness due to overstrain. It was said that he was suffering from apoplexy. And at Geneva the other day the fact that he read his opening speech from a typewritten sheet was taken as confirmation of this affliction. In fact, however, this departure from his usual extempore method was due only to the fact that he imagined that his speech was being broadcast. And in his subsequent addresses to the Council he showed all his wonted eloquence, and, on one occasion at least, he surpassed even himself as a master of extempore.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

Lady Peel has kindly consented to distribute the prizes at the Central British School annual prize-giving ceremony on Tuesday, March 10, at St. Andrew's Church Hall.

For the 24 hours ended February 27, there were two cases of typhoid fever, and for the 48 hours ended March 1, there was one case (non-Chinese) of typhoid fever and one case of diphtheria.

Sir Robert Ho Tung asks us to state that the \$30,000 which he has given towards the new Po Leung Kuk in Hong Kong is a donation in memory of his late mother, and a portrait of Sir Robert's mother, and not of himself will be hung in the hall of the building.

According to a police report, there has been a warrant issued for the arrest of Terence Joseph Woods, managing partner of the Combined Traders Association. He is alleged to have obtained 270 in bank notes by false pretences from Pun King, accountant of the Tung Lee money-changers shop in Queen's Road.

Launching a New Colour.

The Paris dress designers have provided a great many ingenious minor novelties to brighten their collections. At one of the shows a yellow dress was called "Schoum," and the manufacturer who wore it carried a bottle of "Schoum" to show how exactly the colour of the liquid and the fabric matched. "Schoum" is some kind of medicine for the liver.

An Eton Dame.

The death has occurred of Lady Georgiana Legge, sole surviving sister of Lord Dartmouth, but known to fame and generations of old Etonians as Dame to Mr. Goodhart's house. For many years in this capacity she watched over the health and cleanliness of the boys with brisk and efficient kindness. Lady Georgiana was more Etonian than any Etonian. Her house-patriotism was unexampled. During the House football cup she would appear arrayed in the House-colour shirt, and she was exceedingly sharp to lower boys who did not share and openly manifest her own exuberant enthusiasm. She was indeed a popular and original figure. Many Etonians will for long remember her green leather boots and her top-hat brushed so that each fibre of the pile stood out like quills upon the frolic porcupine.

Better Than "The Bird."

Paris has discovered a new toy and is playing with it as only Paris can. Next to the old Cigite music-hall in the Boulevard Clichy they have just opened a tiny place called the *Fourmi*. It is long and narrow, like an English village hall, with a gallery at one side. The stalls cost 10 francs. The first part of the entertainment, which varies from good to indifferent, is provided by professional variety performers. The second half is furnished by ambitious amateurs, and then the real fun begins, for their fate may be the dreaded hook—"le crochet." It is all so simple. If an amateur pleases, the audience shout their approval and a week's engagement is the reward. If not, there is no question of a polite intimation from the stage manager or the ringing down of the curtain. In the middle of the song or at the sign of serious impatience on the part of the audience, an enormous hook is projected from the wings and the unfortunate performer is (painlessly) hooked out of sight.

MY BIRTHDAY.

He's waiting at the garden gate
When I come down the lane,
And accuses me of being late
Again.

He lifts his face for me to kiss
And grips my hand so tight;
My coming seems to give him bliss
To-night.

Mysteriously he drags me home
With hasty little stride
Opens the door and bids me come
Inside.

He leads me to the table laid
For tea—eyes opened wide—
And shows a cake, his mother made,
With pride.

Says he, "There is your Birthday cake!"

We made it, just us two;
Myself I put the sweeties on
For you."
JOHN WILLIAMS.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

Mr. John Charles Oswald, of Croydon, Surrey, and late of Fochow, who died on June 21, 1930, left Hong Kong estate to the value of \$22,100, and gross personally, including gross realty, of \$33,324. He resided a former will, by virtue of which left his wife, Miss Louise Oswald, sole beneficiary and executrix, and she has been granted the recasting of the probate.

Looking Back 25 Years.

In the second month's round of the Hong Kong Volunteer Reserve Association for the Governor's Cup, 1930, Mr. W. J. Saunders put in the highest card and thus holds the cup during March and also takes the first spoon presented by the Association. Messrs. J. C. Gow and J. H. Pidgeon also receive spoons.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 3, 1931.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The retirement of Admiral Sir William King Hall, K.C.B., from the active list of the Royal Navy, after a service of upwards of fifty years, devoted to his country, is

SUMMARY OF NEWS

Local.

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. M. A. Baptista, an old resident of the Colony. Page 9.

Miss Olive Hulbert, of Southampton, was married to Mr. Ernest Bird at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon yesterday. Page 5.

To-day's wireless programme. Page 2.

Sport.

Junior cricket notes: By "L. D. W." Page 8.

Full details of yesterday's racing. Page 4 and 5.

Latest Cables.

A sensation has been caused by the resignation of Hu Han Min, which the Central Executive Committee has accepted. Page 7.

It is officially announced that the casualties resulting from the hurricane that visited Fiji total 160 deaths. Page 7.

The British Treasury will receive £1,000,000 in death duties from the estate of the late Sir Vernon Wells, who left £2,100,000. Page 7.

The report that the naval parleys at Paris and Rome have resulted satisfactorily is welcomed in Japanese official circles. Page 7.

Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister, called on the Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang, yesterday morning and resumed the extramural negotiations. Page 7.

An inspired report appearing in the Japanese vernacular papers contains the figures decided upon at the Naval Agreement discussions at Rome and Paris. Page 7.

The Minister for Railways, Mr. Sun Fo, yesterday opened the National Railway Transportation Conference, when he declared that the various Government railways were on the verge of bankruptcy. Page 7.

According to the *Echo de Paris*, the French Fleet will be 650,000 tons, giving a superiority of 150,000 tons over Italy. France and Italy will have the same number of 10,000-ton cruisers, while 70,000 tons of submarines are allotted to France. Page 7.

The Standing Committee of the Nanking Central Executive Committee yesterday decided to include among the urgent measures to be discussed by the National Convention to be held on May 5 the question of the adoption of a Provisional Constitution during the "political tutelage period," pending the promulgation of a Permanent Constitution for the "Constitutional Period." Page 7.

Mr. Churchill's Hat.

Mr. Churchill has resuscitated one of his famous hats—the old-fashioned top hat which is something between a bowler and a top hat. Mr. Churchill is never, in the Parliamentary phrase, "covered" in the House, on one occasion he startled members by appearing on the Treasury Bench in a silk hat. That, however, was the result of a challenge made to him at a luncheon. Mr. Churchill has not now gone back to the type of hat at one time widely worn by cabinet men because he was dared to do it. He does it because he likes it.

**HU HAN MIN
RESIGNS.****CREATES SENSATION IN
CHINESE CIRCLES.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

NANKING, March 2.
It is officially announced that Hu Han Min has resigned, and that the Central Executive Committee has accepted his resignation.

**Repercussions on Political Situation
Expected.****LATER.**

The acceptance of Hu Han Min's resignation has caused a sensation amongst the Chinese, and it is expected to have most important repercussions on the political situation, as he heads a very important clique of political members of the Kuomintang.

The split has been growing up at great length between the civilian elements of the Kuomintang headed by Hu Han Min and the military elements headed by Chiang Kai Shek.

The latter to-day publicly expressed his disapproval of Hu Han Min's attitude, charging him with insisting that the Government should carry out his own wishes as head of the Government's legislative body and refusing to abide by the decision of the majority of Government leaders.

**DEVELOPMENT OF
HAICHOW.****PROPOSAL TO CONSTRUCT A
MODERN SHIPPING PORT.****(Chin Wan Yat Pao.)****SHANGHAI, March 2.**

It is authoritatively stated by a spokesman of the Nanking Ministry of Railways that the latter is planning the development of Haichow, a seaport in north-eastern Kiangsu, into a modern shipping port.

Experts are invited to engage in drafting a detailed scheme, the principle item of which is the construction of a harbour similar in size to that of Tientsin and capable of accommodating ocean-going liners. This harbour construction work is expected to cover a period of ten years.

Mr. Sun Fo, Railway Minister, is expected to inspect Haichow at an early date.

**CHINA'S AERIAL TRANS-
PORT SERVICES.****(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)****SHANGHAI, March 2.**

The regular air transport service between Hankow and Ichang is expected to commence on the 15th inst. by the China Aviation Company, while the Shanghai-Canton air line is scheduled to be introduced shortly after March.

**FENG YU HSIANG'S
RETIREMENT.****(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)****PEIPING, March 2.**

According to a report from Tientsin, Feng Yu Hsiang, who is residing in Pechow, Shansi, has declared that he has no intention to engage further in military activities and prefers leading a private life. He is reported to have conveyed his wish through an agent to the Nanking authorities for the grant of funds to enable him to go abroad.

**WILLS' BOON TO THE
TREASURY.****ANOTHER MILLION IN DEATH
DUTIES.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****LONDON, March 1.**

Tobacco is supplying the Treasury with another \$1,000,000 in death duties. The estate of Sir Vernon Wills, director of the Imperial Tobacco Company, who died on February 1, has been provisionally valued at \$2,100,000.

His wife and his eldest son are the chief beneficiaries. The late Sir Vernon Wills, who died in 1928, left £10,000,000, of which the Treasury took £4,000,000. Since 1909, 11 members of the Wills family have died, leaving an aggregate of £10,000,000.

**CHINA'S POLITICAL
TUTELAGE PERIOD.****NATIONAL CONVENTION'S
"URGENT MEASURES."****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****NANKING, March 2.**

It is officially stated that the Standing Committee of the Central Executive Committee this morning decided to include among the urgent measures to be discussed by the National Convention on May 5 the question of the adoption of the Provisional Constitution during the "political tutelage period," pending the promulgation of a permanent Constitution for "the constitutional period," considering this to be in strict conformity with Sun Yat Sen's views.

Hu Han Min, the noted Chairman of the Legislative Yuan, who is holding contrary views, tendered his resignation, which the Committee accepted.

Lin Sen, Vice-President of the Legislative Yuan, has been appointed President and Shao Yuen Chung Vice-President.

The communiqué adds that "Hu Han Min will remain at Nanking to assist the Government."

**FIRE DESTROYS TROTSKY'S
HOUSE.****WORKS OF GREAT HISTORICAL
VALUE LOST.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****CONSTANTINOPLE, March 1.**

The house in which M. Trotsky is living on Prinkipo Island, a resort on the sea of Marmora, was burned down early this morning.

M. Trotsky and his family huddled on their clothes and escaped, taking refuge in a neighbouring hotel.

A large part of M. Trotsky's library and archives were destroyed, including a number of works of great historical value, the loss of which is considered to be irreparable, although in his hurried flight M. Trotsky managed to save some correspondence between himself and Lenin, also the manuscript of the second volume of Trotsky's History of the Russian Revolution, and other literary data.

**ROYAL BANQUET MARRED
BY TRAGEDY.****TWELVE MILITARY BANDS.
MEN DROWNED.****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]****SANTIAGO DE CHILE, Mar. 1.**

Twelve military bandsmen, who played during the dinner to the Prince of Wales at La Centinella yesterday evening were drowned whilst crossing the lake to Valdivia, their barge having been rammed by another.

The Prince of Wales and Prince George at midnight hastened to the lake side to assist in the rescue and left only when hope was abandoned. They telegraphed their deepest sympathy to the President and the Colonel of the bandsmen's regiment.

BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR.**BUSINESS BEYOND EXHIBI-
TORS' EXPECTATIONS.****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]****RUEY, Feb. 28.**

The Olympia and Birmingham sections of the British Industries Fair closed last night, and buyers at the Allied British Cotton Textile Exhibition at White-City up to last night were considerably over 200,000.

Buyers at Olympia last year numbered about 155,000 and the increased attendance is considered very satisfactory.

Overseas buyers came from 74 countries and represented lands as distant as Afghanistan, Fiji, Iraq and Nicaragua.

The countries most numerous represented were in the following order:—Holland, Irish Free State, Germany, Denmark, France, United States and India.

The business done in the face of the world-wide depression was most encouraging and beyond the expectations of the exhibitors. One cheerful feature in their reports is the large number of new accounts opened by every section.

**NATIONAL RAILWAY
CONFERENCE.****VARIOUS LINES ON THE
VERGE OF BANKRUPTCY.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****NANKING, March 2.**

Mr. Sun Fo, Minister for Railways, opened the National Railway Transportation Conference this morning, which will discuss and decide measures for the improvement of commercial transportation on the Government railways.

Mr. Sun Fo, *inter alia*, said that the various railways are on the verge of bankruptcy, their total obligations amounting to more than \$1,000,000,000.

**AMERICAN TRADE WITH
RUSSIA.****PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES
DEMAND EMBARGO.****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]****NEW YORK, March 1.**

Fifty-two patriotic societies have sent a letter to President Hoover demanding an embargo on trade with Russia.

A message of February 23 stated:—The House of Representatives, by an overwhelming majority, passed the Kauland Hawley Bill strengthening the 1930 Tariff Act against contraband goods entering the United States. The Bill makes the prohibition effective on April 1, 1931, instead of January 1, 1932, and applies the embargo against goods handled, transported, loaded, or unloaded wholly or partly by convicts or forced labour, as well as against goods manufactured by such workers. It also admits depositions from United States agents abroad in proving the employment of convict labour.

**INTERNATIONAL ARMY
SOCCER.****BRITISH ARMY BEAT THE
BELGIANS.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****BRUSSELS, March 1.**

A crowd of 25,000 saw the British Army defeat the Belgian Army by four goals to two in the international army triangular soccer tournament to-day.

The British Army have already defeated the French Army, and have thus won the tournament for this season.

The winners last year were the Belgian Army.

**U.S. COTTON TEXTILE
INDUSTRY.****NIGHT WORK FOR CHILDREN
AND MINORS STOPPED.****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]****CHARLOTTE (N.C.), Mar. 1.**

The Secretary of the American Cotton Manufacturing Association announces that 83 per cent. of the cotton textile industry in the United States has agreed to discontinue night work for women and minors.

**FUJI HURRICANE
CASUALTIES.****ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY
PERISHED.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****SUVA, March 1.**

It is officially announced that 160, including four Europeans, perished in the hurricane in the districts of Lautoka, Ba and Sigatoka last week.

**PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT
RESIGNS.****NAVY AVERTING A CIVIL
WAR.****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]****LIMA, Feb. 28.**

The Government have resigned. The Navy issued a manifesto to-day stating that it would prevent the dispatch of Government troops to the South against the rebels in order to avoid a civil war, and urged the President to hand over the Government to the new Junta.

**CHINA'S EXTRALITY
QUESTION.****SIR M. LAMPSON RESUMES
NEGOTIATIONS.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****NANKING, March 2.**

Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister, called on the Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang, this morning and resumed the extra-territoriality negotiations.

**MISS TSZ HA ON
ENGLISH GIRLS.****HONG KONG UNDERGRADU-
ATE IN ENGLAND.**

Miss Wong Tsz Ha, a graduate of Hong Kong University, a journalist of three years' experience in the East, and a speaker of fluent, idiomatic English has recently arrived in England and contributed the following article in the *Daily Express*.

Tsz Ha means Purple Cloud, and Wong, this Chinese girl's surname, means "yellow." Her names, therefore, fully translated, are Purple Cloud Yellow.

"Why," a *Daily Express* representative asked her, "were you called 'Purple Cloud'?"
"Girls in China," she replied, "are always given pretty names, those of flowers, and, well, I was born in the early morning when the pale gold appears and the clouds turn purple. It is a pretty time. You see!"

She then confessed that she was interested especially in English girls. So the *Daily Express* invited her to put her impressions on record which she did as follows:—

It is not so easy a theme to say good or ill, to generalize, to form a mental picture or to discuss the girls of a nation who are constantly engaging our attention nowadays. Seldom is there anywhere in London where girls are not seen. Walk in the streets, sit down in restaurants and public rooms, visit the galleries and museums, go to the theatres, and you will find pictures of girls moving to and fro, working in offices, attending lectures in college or carrying your living in factories, no matter what you do or where you be, either in conditions, underground, tubes, or tram-cars, you always find yourself face to face with English girls—in this City at least.

Can you imagine how this would strike the mind of a Chinese girl who comes from a land where young girls are accustomed to remain within the four walls of the home? Your English girls are not just mere human beings, for, seeing them, you must notice them, you must be conscious of their presence. They are attractive, smartly dressed, active, alert, with a swinging gait, and, if you observe them, you will find the majority of them always try to cultivate that aristocratic carriage and apparent brightness, a trait which is entirely alien to girls of other countries.

I particularly like to watch the younger type of English girls, especially the sports girls and office girls. In conversation with natives of other countries and older womenfolk, I learn that they are not infrequently being qualified with uncomplimentary adjectives—brazen, rough, boisterous, vehement, and, above all, they are said to be losing their feminine charm by indifference in sport and in leading the life of a man scrabbling in the dust and heat of the market-place. I think such criticisms are unjust.

English Charm.
One day an English girl talked to me because she found it so amusing that a Chinese girl from the East could actually understand what she says and tell her what she wants to hear. The Chinese girl, as the average English girl understands her to be, is quite different from the one she sees. You see, her conception of the Chinese girl is out of date.

But her friendliness, absence of affectation, wit, sense, cheerfulness, good nature, and politeness of manner simply won my admiration. Are all English girls like her? I wondered.

What strikes me most about your English girls is that they all are educated, and many of them well educated. They are so independent. They can leave their home and live in rooms of their own. They can work like men and with men for their own living. They can vote. They can help to administer their own country. They can smoke in public. They can choose their husbands and go about with men.

Our Eastern girls are very much more domesticated. Many of them are now fighting, and influencing others to fight for emancipation. Perhaps they are copying the West? So you see the influence of your girls has spread even to our country.

[If Miss Wong indeed comes from Hong Kong how delightfully she is "pulling the leg" of *Express* Readers.—Ed. H.K.D.P.]

**BRITAIN'S NAVAL
DIPLOMACY.****"TRAVELLING CONFERENCE"
A BRILLIANT SUCCESS.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****PARIS, March 1.**

Mr. Arthur Henderson and Mr. A. V. Alexander arrived here to-day and proceeded immediately to the Quai d'Orsay, where they gave M. Briand an account of their "conversations" in Rome.

Negotiations Successful.

After a three-hour meeting between the British and French Ministers at the Quai d'Orsay, it was announced that the naval negotiations had been successful.

The terms among the British, French and Italian Ministers negotiated in Paris and Rome will be recommended by them for ratification by their Governments.

Entire Agreement.

A naval official communiqué states that Mr. Henderson and Mr. Alexander communicated to M. Briand and M. Dumont the results of their "conversations" in Rome, after which Mr. Henderson and M. Briand jointly telegraphed to Signor Grandi:—

"We are happy to inform you that we find ourselves in entire agreement on the arrangements negotiated in Rome for the settlement relating to the limitation of naval armaments left outstanding by the Treaty of London."

"We are ready to recommend this arrangement for the approval of our Governments and to other interested Governments."

Details Available on Wednesday.

On the request of the British delegation no details or figures of the settlement will be announced, as the agreement must first be communicated to Tokyo, Washington and the Dominions. But the details will be announced simultaneously in London, Washington, Paris, Rome, and Tokyo later in the week, probably Wednesday.

Mr. Dumont, the French Minister of Marine, in a statement to the Press said:—"Some modifications, however slight, are being contemplated in the London Naval Treaty."

The British delegation leave for London on Monday.

France's Superiority Over Italy.

PARIS, March 2.
A French fleet of 630,000 tons, namely, a superiority of 150,000 tons over Italy, is provided for under the new Naval Agreement, according to the *24th de Paris*, which declares that France and Italy have the same number of 10,000-ton cruisers, while 70,000 tons of submarines are allotted to France.

Agreement Acceptable to United States.**[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]**

WASHINGTON, March 2.
Well-informed circles are of opinion that the Naval Agreement is acceptable to the United States, and they assume that the proposed changes of a minor character compared with the London Agreement will not affect vitally the United States and Japan.

Result Welcomed in Japanese Official Circles.

TOKYO, March 2.
The report that the naval parleys at Paris and Rome have resulted in a satisfactory agreement is welcomed in Japanese official circles.

While unable to reveal the figures it is intimated that France will be allowed a considerably higher tonnage in submarines than Great Britain, Japan and America, though these tonnage figures apparently are merely tentative, pending the outcome of the Sixth year. While Japan appears unlikely to protest against France being allowed a superiority in submarines, close observers consider that there probably will be a strong outcry in certain sections of Japanese on the grounds that Japan's demands at the London Naval Conference for a higher submarine tonnage were overruled.

Inspired Figures from Japan.**LATER.**

According to a seemingly inspired report appearing in this afternoon's vernacular papers the Franco-Italian parley has resulted in the following agreement:—

Submarines.—France, 80,000 tons; Italy, 50,000 tons.
Eight-Inch Cruisers.—In accordance with the terms of the London Agreement, France, 130,000 tons; Italy, 120,000 tons.
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**VICEROY-GANDHI
"CONVERSATIONS."****HOPEFUL ATMOSPHERE
PREVAILS.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****BOMBAY, March 1.**

A more hopeful atmosphere prevails, due to the long conference between the Viceroy and Gandhi, at the conclusion of which the latter declared that "the conversation was not ended, and would be resumed."

Feeling of Optimism.

Although suspense regarding the Irwin-Gandhi negotiations continues, a feeling of optimism has crept in.

The Congress Working Committee met to examine the revised draft of the Viceroy's proposals.

It is understood that Lord Irwin's reply in regard to the enquiry into alleged police excesses is more conciliatory, and the Committee are favourably impressed as a result of the conversations.

Gandhi is again interviewing Lord Irwin this evening.

The "conversation" is expected to last until midnight.

Outlook Improved.**LATER.**

The "talks" between Lord Irwin and Gandhi are being resumed and the outlook has improved, although the suspense continues.

It is understood that the Viceroy's reply to Gandhi as regards an enquiry into the alleged police excesses is more conciliatory.

The Congress executive is greatly impressed by the Viceroy's sincerity.

Capital Ships.—France to construct two each of 23,000 tons to offset Germany's "pocket battleships"; Italy to build two of a smaller tonnage.

The fear is expressed that Great Britain will consider it necessary to increase her own submarine tonnage to offset France, in which case it might be found necessary for Japan to exercise her right under Article 21 of the London Treaty to do likewise.

Another avalanche thundering down from the Pachelkof near Innsbruck buried five skiers of whom three were killed while one man succeeded in extricating himself and one woman with broken legs. Finally in South Tyrol, an avalanche swept over the huts of a small settlement in the Sarnöl Alps. Here five men were saved out of eight who disappeared over a precipice. An entire family, father, mother and five little children were buried under the snow but after hours of strenuous effort were extricated and revived. A column of 70 men is still engaged in rescue operations.

Reports reaching here from the Austrian, Swiss and Bavarian Alps state that the snowfall of the past 48 hours was the heaviest in the past 40 years. In addition to Zermatt, dozens of places including Andermatt and Cortina D'Ampezzo are now completely cut off from the world. In Andermatt a company of Swiss infantry and servants is snowed up. The School of the railway line was partly destroyed by avalanches.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**RUEY, Feb. 28.**

Signor Mussolini last night attended a dinner at the British Embassy in Rome in honour of the British Ministers conducting the naval negotiations.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Henderson, and D. Duce afterwards had a long conversation.

Discussions were resumed to-day between Mr. Henderson and Signor Grandi, as well as between the naval experts, and it is expected that the British Ministers and their staff will leave Rome to-day.

So far complete secrecy has been maintained about the "conversations," due to the delicacy of their nature and the necessity of informing and consulting the United States and Japanese Governments on any developments.

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Sports News

JUNIOR CRICKET NOTES.

THE KOWLOON-INDIANS MATCH REVIEWED.

(By "L.B.W.")

Much interest was centred on the Indians-Kowloon match which took place at Soekpoo on Saturday, and by virtue of their win the former have established for themselves a very strong position in the league table, and on present form, I confidently expect them to finish up on the top of the table. To do this, however, they must win their last match, which is against the Craneyowen Cricket Club, provided also that the Civil Service juniors lose or draw one of their remaining matches.

Club de Recreo are in the running too, but their chances of being champions are not as bright as the other two teams.

Indians Bat First.

To go back to the match itself. Arcelli won the toss and elected to bat, and as a draw would not have done them any good, I think that was a sound move. Mackay turned out for Kowloon while O. Small played for the Indians, but neither did very much, though the latter did defy the bowling till he was run out through a misdirection.

As usual, Madar and Ackler opened the innings for the Soekpoo team, the attack being in the hands of Lee and Smith. I was rather surprised that Skinner and Overy did not start and with all respect to Lee (he captained that day as Lindsay did not play), I am of the opinion that the latter pair would have given the I.R.C. batsmen more trouble. In any case, after about twenty runs had been scored, Mackay was well taken by the K.C.C. "boy" holding a sub. at third man and shortly after this Madar was yanked by a "sloper" from Skinner who had come on for Smith at the French Hospital end. Meanwhile, A. R. Saffad, who went in first wicket down, settled down to play polished cricket after a somewhat lucky start—a chance from him to point being a-begging. Saffad was getting more of the runs while O. Small was keeping up his end over the other side and they were now paired till after the seventy had been hoisted, Saffad being out to a fine catch by Lee in the slips off Skinner.

A fairly quiet spell followed during which time the Indians lost two further wickets for about twenty additional runs, but thereafter Heptala and A. S. Saffad treated the spectators to some bright batting, each man getting twenty odd runs readily. Going in late, A. M. Rumpin got fourteen to help to bring the total to 103 runs. Not a bad score, but by no means a safe one against a strong batting team like the K.C.C.

Another Surprise.

When the Indians went out to field, another surprise was in store for them, for instead of sending Skinner and Jex out to start the innings as usual, Lee decided to send Gregory out with Jex, keeping Skinner back to go in second wicket down.

Arcelli opened the attack for the home team and sent a maiden over down to Jex. Then Gregory faced A. M. Rumpin and asked the third ball to deep mid-on where A. S. Saffad gathered it rather low, but the umpire, quite rightly, gave the batsman the benefit of the doubt. A run resulted and this brought Gregory over to take Arcelli's next over when he was caught in the slips after "feeling" at the first two balls. Mackay filled the breach but was bowled first ball, and it was at this stage that Skinner came in and changed the whole complexion of the game by hitting out merrily for 41 runs. Lee gave him all the support he required, and from 3 wickets for 9 runs, (I forgot to mention that Jex was bowled by an absolute beauty from Rumpin) these two batsmen brought the score to over the sixty mark. Then Lee was caught at point off A. S. Saffad and the next over Skinner let out at one but did not quite get hold of it and asked the ball to mid-on where he was well taken.

Smith and Raven.

With the dismissal of the cream of the Kowloon batting, things looked extremely bright for the Indians, but F. S. W. Smith and A. R. E. Raven batted stubbornly and defied the bowling for some time. Then Smith was caught off his gloves by Raven, who was now joined by Mead, kept on the good work and the latter gave him very excellent support. After Mead went, O. B. Raven joined "A.R.F." and it was at this stage that M. P. Madar, who has not done very much bowling this season, was given a spell with the ball. Off his first over, "O.B." was dropped at squares by Arcelli. It was a very bad mistake and might have cost the Indians two valuable points. In his next over, however, Madar sent a very similar ball down to

LAWN TENNIS.

MORE JAPANESE IMPRESSIONS.

AN INTERESTING DOUBLES.

Fresh from their triumph in the Philippines, Isimura and Yamagishi, Japan's premier doubles pair, beat Hong Kong's all-coners yesterday at the Hong Kong Cricket Club. Like their compatriots, Jyoto Satoh and Hyo Satoh, who delighted local tennis enthusiasts scarcely a fortnight ago, they won the exhibition series of two singles and one doubles matches, and in doing so have left behind them an impression of the high standard of play attained by Japan at the present time. P. Kong, C. A. L. Rumpin, H. D. Rumpin and S. A. Rumpin formed Hong Kong's contingent against them, and the matches resulted as follows, taking place in the order below.

Yamagishi beat P. Kong 6-0, 6-0.

Yamagishi and Shimura beat H. D. Rumpin and S. A. Rumpin 5-2, 6-3.

Shimura beat C. A. L. Rumpin 6-2, 6-2.

Spice of Programme.

The doubles exhibition proved to be the spice of the programme, and ran to the third set before a decision could be reached. The local pair held their own in the opening set, and by dint of some steady, but tricky play pulled the score from 2-4 against them to 7-3 in their favour. In the following sets, however, the Japanese demonstrated distinct superiority, showing marked improvement in all departments of the game. They forced the Rumpins to keep on the defensive most of the time, and although the local expatriates exhibited a determination to check the Japanese, and at times challenged the visitors, the latter, by an all-round display, smashed the second and third sets in a convincing manner.

Of the whole play reached a high standard. The match provided the gallery with an interesting exhibition to which the Japanese contributed in great style, while throughout snappy close range volleys became a bright feature of the match. Evidently the biggest factor that gave the match to the Japanese was their ability to break the Rumpins' combination by speedy shots.

The Singles.

Yamagishi met P. Kong in the opening match proving himself to be in a class higher than the local player, who failed to take a game. Shimura also did not have much difficulty in beating C. A. L. Rumpin, conceding only two games in five sets. Hard hitting, long baselining driving dunks, and brilliant reverses, however, kept the spectators interested in the match.

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the same batsman, and despite his narrow escape the previous over, Raven tried to pull it again and was caught on the leg-side between square-leg and mid-on.

Overy came in—the last man—and played a maiden over from Arcelli. There was now only three minutes to go and A. S. Saffad was given the ball in place of Madar. This change had the desired effect; for Raven, who had up to now played a very fine game, let out at one and had his middle stick dislodged, the Indians thus winning with only a couple of minutes to spare.

Retrospects.

Looking over the game now it is my opinion that on the day's play, the Indians fully deserved their win. Kowloon, on the other hand, were a little unfortunate in not being able to effect a draw. Skinner was the hero of the visitors' side, his bowling analysis and score bearing evidence of the great part he played in the match. A. R. F. Raven, and George Lee too, played well but Mackay disappointed. The holding of the K.C.C. left nothing to be desired, but that of the Indian was patchy; more than one catch being dropped.

A. R. Saffad again came off with flying colours with the bat, and provided he keeps up his form, I can see this youngster gaining a place in the I.R.C. first eleven next season. Arcelli and Saffad (A.S.) shared the bowling honours, and I feel my notes on the game would not be complete if I did not give a word of praise to S. Ismail who did his work behind the stumps excellently. The extras totalled some ten runs, but of these eight were from wides and no-balls.

The Club Match.

There seems to be some misunderstanding regarding the nature of the Club-Engineers match. A contemporary reported it as a friendly, but I have it on fairly good authority that it was a League fixture, and considering they had to get over two hundred runs in about one and a half hours to win, the Club did very well to get the points.

There are a number of matches arranged for this week-end but I doubt if all of them will be played on account of the rains.

HOLIDAY CRICKET.

EASY WIN FOR KOWLOON.

FINE BOWLING BY BURNETT.

The two day match between the Volunteers and Kowloon Cricket Club was concluded yesterday, the K.C.C. winning by nine wickets.

Kowloon brought their first innings total to 300 runs and when the Volunteers went in to bat for the second time they were unfortunate to find Burnett in deadly form with the ball and were all out for 72 runs. Burnett returned the excellent analysis of 9 for 25.

This left Kowloon 46 runs to get and this they did for the loss of only 1 wicket.

The scores were—

First Innings of Volunteers.			
K. H. Batger, b Goodwin	10		
J. C. Richardson, c Mackay, b Goodwin	11		
S. V. Gittins, c C. Fincher, b Goodwin	23		
H. H. Griffiths, b.b.w., b Burnett	44		
E. J. R. Mitchell, b Hung	33		
R. M. Wood, not out	87		
A. Reid, c Skinner, b Hung	0		
H. F. Green, b Skinner	0		
A. C. Beck, b P. Fincher	21		
R. R. Davies, c Lyl, b E. F. Fincher	0		
G. E. R. Divett, b Burnett	16		
Extras	10		
Total	273		

Bowling Analysis.			
W. C. Hung	5	3	33
J. C. Lyl	12	2	60
F. Goodwin	7	2	36
E. F. Fincher	10	0	50
F. Zimmern	7	0	46
G. C. Burnett	6	3	32
F. E. Skinner	4	0	27
Total	61	8	300

First Innings of K.C.C.			
E. C. Fincher, b Divett	0		
F. E. Lawrence, c Wood, b Divett	8		
W. C. Hung, b Divett	75		
F. Zimmern, c Batger, b Mitchell	39		
E. F. Fincher, b Beck	34		
N. A. E. Mackay, b.b.w., b Beck	10		
F. E. Skinner, c Gittins, b Beck	4		
J. W. Gregory, b Beck	5		
J. C. Lyl, run out	3		
G. C. Burnett, b Gittins	0		
D. Reid, not out	0		
Extras	14		
Total	140		

Bowling Analysis.			
Beck	24	7	63
Divett	20	7	53
Reid	7	0	33
Gittins	2	0	30
Mitchell	4	1	21
Richardson	5	0	24
Griffiths	2	0	30
Batger	2	1	10
Total	66	8	300

Second Innings of Volunteers.			
K. H. Batger, b Hung	4		
S. V. Gittins, b Burnett	1		
S. V. Gittins, c and b Burnett	38		
R. H. Griffiths, b Burnett	5		
R. M. Wood, c Hung, b Burnett	4		
A. Reid, b Burnett	7		
H. F. Green, c E. C. Fincher, b Burnett	0		
A. C. Beck, b Burnett	2		
R. R. Davies, not out	0		
G. E. R. Divett, c E. C. Fincher, b Burnett	0		
Extras	5		
Total	72		

Bowling Analysis.			
W. Hung	9	0	42
G. C. Burnett	9	2	23
Total	18	2	65

Second Innings of Kowloon.			
F. E. Lawrence, b Reid	12		
N. A. E. Mackay, not out	13		
F. E. Skinner, not out	19		
Extras	4		
Total for 1 wicket	48		

Bowling Analysis.			
W. Hung	9	0	42
G. C. Burnett	9	2	23
Total	18	2	65

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ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

Felix Ellis Cup—February.

A. G. Coppin (2 down) qualifies.

ARMY BEATS CIVIL SERVICE.

At Happy Valley on Sunday, the Civil Service lost in their return game with an Army tennis team who won by 12 sets to 6.

Tufton and Valentine lost to Lind and Anderson 5-7, 6-6, lost to Mitchell and Atkinson 3-6, 2-6, drew with Paston and Jarman 1-6, 6-3.

McDonnell and Bradley lost to Lind and Anderson 6-8, 2-6, lost to Mitchell and Atkinson 6-3, 6-4, beat Paston and Jarman 6-1, 6-3.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

[All letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not for publication, unless so desired, but as evidence of good faith.—Ed.]

FORTHCOMING CONCERTS.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—We have just received a wire from the Westminster Glee Singers, stating that they are performing at the Star Theatre from March 7 to March 10, and asking us to assist in making this known. They were so popular here before that we recommended them to give a few performances in Kowloon on their return journey, but understood this would be in April. Advertisements are, of course, appearing immediately, but the notice is so short that the Singers will have arrived almost before the public has heard of them. We understand that booking is being opened at once at the Star Theatre and at Montreux.

We should appreciate it if you would allow us to make a further announcement of three forthcoming musical attractions which, through sheer bad luck, are booked for three consecutive week-nights: Friday and Saturday, March 27 and 28, and Monday, March 30.

Mr. Strok has just wired reserving the Theatre Royal on the 27th for a pair of excellent dancers known as the Sakharoffs, who are accompanied by a pianist and a violinist. They should have appeared here earlier but have been delayed by splendid successes in Japan. He has also booked the Theatre for the 30th, for a vocal recital by the celebrated prima donna, Toti dal Monte, and her husband, de Muro-Lomanto (lyric tenor), who are in their first world tour.

At the same time another impresario, M. Podoli, unaware of these engagements, is bringing M. Marquet, the inventor of the wonderful "Music from the Ether" instrument, to the Star Theatre on the 28th. It would be a pity for music-lovers to miss any of these attractions, but without a special effort the attendances are bound to suffer somewhat from the close proximity of the dates.

It is the object of this Society to give timely notice of the visits of professional artists of sufficiently high standing to be recommended to the public; to stimulate interest and combat the apathy that used to go widespread; and to ensure that these artists shall face reasonable filled halls and not rows of empty benches. Advertisements will appear in your columns in due course. But something more than the usual advertising is needed if the attendances on these three dates are to justify this Colony's improved musical reputation. We hope that music-lovers will give all the support in their power for the sake of the artists who are in no way to blame for these unfortunate arrangements.—I am, etc.,

A. M. BOWEN SMITH,
Hon. Secretary,
Hong Kong Musical Society.
Hong Kong, March 1.

KOWLOON GOLF.

FIRST ROUND OF PAGE TROPHY.

The results of the matches in the first round of the Hong Fourcous promoted by the Kowloon Golf Club for that Page Trophy are as follows:—

Wharf and Gidown Co. (W. M. Groves and A. Eastman) beat Hong Kow and Shanghai Hotels (F. C. Barry and E. C. Murphy), one up.

Whampoa Dock Co. (J. McKelvie and J. O. McLagan) beat Mustard & Co. (J. Poole and L. J. Cave), three up and two to play.

Naval Yard (W. G. Trice and L. W. Sapsed) beat Hong Kong Electric Co. (J. R. Way and W. Stoker), seven up and five to play.

EARLY MAN IN SURREY.

FLINTS SHOWN AT SORBONNE.

OLDEST EVER DISCOVERED.

Paris.—One of the most striking archaeological discoveries of recent years was described at the Sorbonne when Mr. Ludovic Mann, the Scottish anthropologist, lectured to the French Prehistoric Society on his find of ancient flint implements at Stanstead, near Caterham, in Surrey.

Mr. Mann explained that the relics belong to the pre-paleolithic period and are at least 80,000 years old; but their special interest lies in the fact that they illustrate a form of man's earliest industry of which hitherto little or no trace has been discovered.

This is the method of crushing the edge of the flint when shaping it, as opposed to the more common practice of flaking. Among the large number of flints which Mr. Mann exhibited to the society—the first public body to inspect them—there are excellent examples of the two kinds of work, many of them showing beautiful craftsmanship.

In some of the stones both the processes have been employed; the flaking consisted in chipping the flint with another small stone to obtain its rough edge; the work was then finished off with a bigger and heavier stone which ground off the roughness of the edge and produced the smooth, finished form.

According to Mr. Mann, the crushing technique is quite unknown in the later flints so far discovered, and indicates the existence of a human culture in Britain at a more remote age even than is generally supposed. Geologically, Mr. Mann places this era between the late pleistocene and early pleistocene period, which means that the remains are the oldest whose existence is known in the world.

Regular Workshop.

The implements found at Stanstead were nearly all intended for domestic use such as planing, wood boring, cutting and scraping. In Mr. Mann's opinion the profusion of the relics is explained by the fact that the place where they were found was once a regular workshop where tools were turned out en masse to be sold or rather exchanged, probably for furs, food, and other primitive commodities.

Mr. Mann's lecture was listened to with the greatest interest by a packed audience which included many well-known French scientists, and was followed by a general discussion. After examining the flints the French archaeologists were unanimously of opinion that they are undoubtedly artificial productions resulting from human workmanship and probably date from an epoch older than any of which record has yet been discovered.

BOXING CITY HALL.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. GRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1931. [393]

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONG KONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 1 Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 5th MARCH, 1931, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on FRIDAY, 29th FEBRUARY, 1931, and THURSDAY, 4th MARCH, 1931. Both Days inclusive, during which period NO Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 6th Feb., 1931. [384]

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, P. O. BUILDING, on WED., 18th MARCH, 1931, at 11 A.M. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st DECEMBER, 1930, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 5th MARCH, 1931, to 1st MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive, during which period NO Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 19th Feb., 1931. [350]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the 42nd ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, EXCHANGE BUILDING, Des Vortex Road, CENTRAL, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th DAY of MARCH, 1931, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 4th MARCH, 1931, to WEDNESDAY, 18th MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 19th Feb., 1931. [364]

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1931, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st DECEMBER, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 16th MARCH, 1931, to THURSDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 27th Feb., 1931. [384]

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NOTICE RE TRANSFER OF SHARES.

SHAREHOLDERS are Requested to note that NO "NEW ISSUE" Shares will be transferred until after the TRANSFER BOOKS have been RE-OPENED on the 19th MARCH, 1931.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
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Hong Kong, 27th Feb., 1931. [383]

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BETTING AND THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION.

DISCOURAGES GENEROSITY, DESTROYS PEACE OF
MIND AND BREEDS SUPERSTITION.

OUTSPOKEN SERMON AT THE CATHEDRAL.

If a visitor from another planet should arrive upon this earth to observe the habits and occupations of its people he could not fail to be struck by the widespread prevalence of the sport or business of gambling. He would find that in one form or another—in betting on the results of horse races or football matches, in playing for stakes in certain games of chance such as poker, bridge or roulette, in sweepstakes, lotteries and raffles as well as in certain business transactions—the spirit of gambling pervaded huge tracts of human thought and time. If he opened a newspaper there would be particulars of the betting at the latest, or next, race meeting occupying a prominent position and even, the whole edition if it were a "special." In addition he would be invited to spot the winners of football matches in the hope of receiving a large sum of money if he were successful. Nor are these occasions rare. In England there is a race meeting on all but about 20 days in the year and modern methods of communication and publicity make it possible for anyone in the country to participate; with the result that vast sums of money are spent on betting. The lowest estimate puts the figure at £150,000,000 sterling, while the Secretary of the National Sporting Leagues, who is in a good position to know, gives £200,000,000 sterling as the amount spent on betting on horse races alone. Even in times of acute industrial depression these figures do not grow less; money may be wanting for educational and medical work, for Church and charity and the very necessities of life, but for betting and the ghastly of betting there is no lack.

All classes of society take part in this business and whether it is good or bad it must unquestionably be put among the primary interests of the human race and not least of our own country.

Yet there is another aspect of the matter which our visitor would have to face. I have spoken of the cost in pounds sterling, but though that is serious enough when we think of how the money might have been spent and how desperately it is needed elsewhere there is another cost: I mean the moral and social cost. In 1921 the House of Commons appointed a Select Committee to consider the question of imposing a duty on betting and to report whether such a duty was desirable and practicable. The Committee consisted of men of long association with the turf (such as Sir Leonard Brasse, Lord St. Leonards, etc.), and its temper may be judged by the fact that they agreed to recommend a betting tax in spite of vigorous opposition from the Churches.

No one, whether he were a stranger to this world or not, could read an authoritative statement like that without wondering whether this gigantic business of gambling might not after all be a gigantic evil. Because a practice is widespread it is not necessarily good and it is a plain fact that those who are concerned for the welfare of the State whether in the Government or the police or among the leaders of industry, are by no means happy in their minds about it. (This is shown by the gross inequalities of the law.)

How Far Is It Wrong?

Add to that the fact that almost all Christian leaders condemn gambling in its consequences if not in the act and we are bound to hear ourselves and ask: "Is this thing right or wrong? And if not wholly wrong—how far is it wrong?"

There are many apparently good, generous people who indulge in it, who like their sister as they call it, who do not seem morally the worse, who bet moderately with what they can afford to lose. Is gambling, then, like "the drink"—something good enough in itself, but wrong if taken to excess? We must find an answer to these questions. Now more than ever before in economic and social and moral problems it is the duty of the Christian to think without confusion clearly. Is there anything in the teaching of Christ that forbids or permits it? Mohammed in the Koran speaks of it as "an abomination of the work of Satan," but perhaps in that matter Mohammed is stricter than Christ.

What Is Gambling?

If we are to think clearly we must begin by asking "What is gambling?" Some kind of definition is needed. Let me give you the best I know. It is put forward by Dr. Charles of Westminster. "Gambling," he says, "is the determination of the ownership of property (generally money) by appeal to chance." Under this definition gambling falls outside the common methods of exchange which determined all

other changes in the ownership of property.

These are three in number: (1) Exchange to mutual advantage, the giving of money for its equivalent in return. Thus I pay \$10 and receive in return a book, or a drive in a motor-car, or a seat at a theatre. The greater part of monetary transactions fall under this head and the more Christian a man is the more careful he will be to render his due equivalent.

(2) The free gift whereby property changes hands, though the deliberate good will of one party acting with conscious benevolence towards the other.

(3) Theft—where there is no desire to give on the one hand and no reason why a gift should be made, but only a desire to get without giving any return on the other.

Gambling seems to stand apart from these three and must be considered by itself, though there are many who say that as a transaction it bears a suspicious resemblance to (3)—with its desire to get without giving in return. No economist that I know of has anything good to say. Let us examine this strange hybrid further. Consider it, for a moment, from the point of view of the man who makes the gamble. He has so much money, and he desires to increase it—a very natural and in most cases quite legitimate desire. He may lend it to some sound firm or bank in return for interest or he may start a business of his own and render service to the public which he believes the public needs with a view to receiving a return for his expenditure plus the brains and initiative he has put into it. Returns such as this are governed by laws of supply and demand and are adjusted to suit other people's interests as well as his own—which is also very right and proper.

On the other hand he may risk losing his money altogether in the hope of getting a much bigger sum in return by a deliberate appeal to chance. This sum risked may be large or small—the odds may be enormous 50,000 to 1 and the amount to be won proportionally the larger, as for example in the Calcutta sweep. But whether large or small the crucial point is the deliberate appeal to chance, to the unknown, unpredictable future.

Folly.

We need to be quite clear about that. No amount of foresight, or study of form can say for certain which horse will win. No man with all the skill in the world can win consistently with bad cards. It is all, as the most hardened tipster will admit if he is honest, a matter of luck. That is the essence of a bet. If one man has inside knowledge that a horse literally cannot win, say because it has been doped then it is not a bet but a cheat. There is no amount of reasoning can predict the result. In fact reason is excluded. Any fool with no knowledge of horse flesh whatever might spot the winner. It is the enthronement of chance. It is as though a man walked blind folded across a crowded London street expecting to arrive safely. He would take no greater risk with his life than the gambler does with his money.

Here then is an act of folly, something done in defiance of reason and the question arises "How is a man justified in playing the fool with his money?" Perhaps to a limited extent we may all be allowed to play the fool sometimes; and if we would admit that it was fooling and kept it in its right place, not taking it seriously; paying for the excitement and not really caring whether we win or lose gambling might not be so bad. But how many could do that? If I win is it not the fact of winning that brings the greatest pleasure and if I lose does not my depression more than counter-act the thrill.

If You Win.

Suppose then you can bet in that spirit, what if you win. "Splendid," you say; but if you win some one else loses and the \$50 that you get for the risk of \$5 may be made up of other people's \$5 notes which they cannot afford to lose. "Oh! but I can't help that; if they are silly enough to bet more than they can afford to lose it's their own look out." Is it? If a man who lived in a crowded house in a city slum with a family of half starved children in some mad moment offered you \$5, or by some accident saved a large sum of money which he was compelled by law to pay you \$5, damages would you be ungrateful enough to take it? (Continued on next column.)

PORTUGUESE RESIDENT'S DEATH.

MR. M. A. BAPTISTA.

The death occurred yesterday at his residence, 8, Casino Road, of Mr. Marciano Antonio Baptista, a respected member of the Portuguese community and an old resident of the Colony. He was 74 years old.

Mr. Baptista's sudden death will come as a great shock to his many friends in the Colony where he has earned a reputation as a well-known artist. At the time of his death he was the chief clerk of Messrs. Johnston, Stokes & Master, having served with this firm of solicitors for about 33 years.

Decensed leaves four sons and four daughters to whom much sympathy will be extended in their bereavement. The sons are Messrs. A. F. Baptista (National City Bank), R. D. Baptista (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Canton office), M. F. Baptista (Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.), and F. A. Baptista (Great Northern Telegraph Company). One of his daughters is Mrs. C. Pereira, and the others are the Misses E. H. and R. Baptista.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

How Does It Effect Others.

The Christian must always ask himself this question: How far does my conduct affect others? If I know that mothers are pawning their children's clothes and risking their bread and butter to bet, can I be a party to the transaction? It is sometimes urged by advocates of betting that a man is justified in betting and taking his winnings because the thing is done by mutual agreement. But that is begging the question. If the thing is wrong it remains no less wrong because there are two parties to it. It is sharing in forbidden fruit and we cannot escape responsibility, unless we are prepared to ask with Cain "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Gambling then stands condemned by the law of brotherhood and by those principles of fair exchange which underlie all Christian dealings with money. But there are secondary reasons why the Christian must regard it as an evil.

(1) It weakens the practice of straight forward giving. When hospitals have to depend upon sweepstakes and charities on subscriptions from Jockey Clubs it is a confession of failure. There is no giving prompted by unselfish motives but only indirect subscription prompted by greed and the glittering prospect of an enormous prize. It was not in this way that the noble tradition was built up of voluntary hospitals which have been such a blessing to our land. God defend us from the day when charity is so dishonoured!

Destroys Peace of Mind.

(2) It destroys that peace of mind and quiet confidence which are the mark of true Christian. It is the enemy of that serenity of temper which Christ displayed. You have only to compare his untroubled mastery of circumstance with the feverish excitement of a London officer on Derby Day to see what I mean. Small wonder that no master of industry will tolerate gambling or betting in his factory. While its effect in the deeper stresses of life is too serious to be measured.

(3) Finally, and with this I must conclude, it breeds superstition. The gambler can have no thought of the Purpose and Providence of God. Instead of submitting himself to the Will of God which is knowable and accountable, the gambler submits himself to the dictates of chance which so far as he knows is blind, fickle, unknowable and unaccountable. He becomes in consequence a prey to the fears and superstitions of primitive man.

Is not that a pitiful plight for one who is "endowed" with reason and lives in this twentieth century of grace. He turns his back on God. It is as though all the long ages of man's heroic struggle after truth and his slow upward climb towards the light had never been. The gambler prefers to bow down with the savage before the god of luck. He is pretending to himself that "There is no God"—no God in whom we live and move and have our being and whose are all our ways; if we will commit them to Him, no God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ "who knoweth what things we have need of before we ask"—but only the Totem pole with its horrible grimage, the Totemist with its mechanical contrivances to portion out his destiny.

If men have it in them to risk their money at some "throw of pitch and toss"—Christ calls his followers to risk far more than that. He dares them to risk comfort, popularity, health, to adventure life itself for a noble end. And if a no gamble on a capricious fate but faith in the surest, fact in the universe, the unchangeable character of God.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON 355 METRES.

11 to 11.30 a.m.—Stock quotations.
11.30 a.m.—Chinese programme.
12.30 p.m.—European programme.
1.30 p.m.—Weather report, local time and Rugby Press news.
2 p.m.—Close down.
3 to 5.53 p.m.—

Variety.

Orchestral—"Your Red Lips."
Marek Weber and his Orch.
Orchestral—"A Little Cafe."
Marek Weber and his Orch.
Hawaiian Orchestra—"The Rose of Heaven"—Walter Kolomo-ku's Honoluluans.
Hawaiian Orchestra—"Silver Threads Among the Golden."
Walter Kolomo-ku's Honoluluans.
Popular Memories accompanied by Nightingales and Canaries recorded at Reich's Avery Bremen.

Song—"Missin' My Pal"—Irene Beasley (Soprano).
Song—"If I Could Just Stop Dreaming"—Irene Beasley (Soprano).

Orchestral—"Autumn Thoughts."
Kiriloff's Balalaika Orch.
Orchestral—"Yan Waltz."
Kiriloff's Balalaika Orch.

Quintette—"Chant of the Jungle"—Victoria Quintette.
Quintette—"Tip Toe Thru the Tulips"—Victoria Quintette.
Whistling—"Mother Machree"—Boly MacGimsey.

Whistling—"You're the Flower of My Heart"—Boly MacGimsey.
Band—"Bells of Saint Maelo"—National Military Band.
5.53 to 6.07 p.m.—

Operatic.

Mignon—"Knowest Thou the Land"—Lucresia Bori (Soprano).
Mignon—"Here Am I in Her Boudoir"—Lucresia Bori (Soprano).

Tristan and Isolde—"Isolde's Love Death"—Maria Jeritza (Soprano).
6.07 to 7 p.m.—

Orchestral.

Sicilian Circle—"Burchenell"—Victor Orchestra.
Quadrille—"Burchenell"—Victor Orchestra.
Dolce Princess Medley—"Nat Shilkeet and his Orch."

Tales of Hoffman—"Potpourri" (Offenbach).—Marek Weber and his Orch.
Marianettes—"Glazounow"—Victor Concert Orch.

Persiflage—"Francis"—Victor Concert Orch.
At Darning—"Cadman"—Victor Concert Orch.

The Waltzing Doll—"Valente"—Victor Concert Orch.
Amoureuse—"Berger"—International Novelty Orch.

Lehariana—"Geiger"—Marek Weber and his Orch.
7 p.m.—Winners of to-day's races.
7 to 8 p.m.—

A Concert.

Piano Solo—"Bohemian Dance" (Smetana).—Wilhelm Bachaus.
Caprice Espagnole" (Moscow).—Wilhelm Bachaus.
Song—"Comin' Thru the Rye"—Marion Talley (Soprano).

Violin and Cymbal Duet—"The Old Gipsy" (Erno).—Scharfer and Sarkoz.
Violin and Cymbal Duet—"The Broken Violin" (Pista).—Scharfer and Sarkoz.

Song—"Love's Old Sweet Song" (Bingham and Molloy).—John McCormack (Tenor).
Song—"Kathleen Mavourneen" (Crawford and Crouch).—John McCormack.

Piano Solo—"Impromptu in B Flat" (Schubert).—Wilhelm Bachaus.
Piano Solo—"Moment Musical in F Minor" (Schubert).—Wilhelm Bachaus.

Song—"Sometime" (Florito).—Madam Amelita Galli Curci (Soprano).
Song—"Dreuning Time" (Strickland).—Madam Amelita Galli Curci (Soprano).

Song—"The Blind Ploughman" (Raddiffe and Clark).—Fedor Chlapin (Bass).
Song—"Oh Could I But Express in Song" (Minsk).—Fedor Chlapin (Bass).

Trio—"Down in the Forest" (Ronald).—De Groot Trio.
Orchestral—"Grenade" (Stradella).—De Groot and Fiedilly Orch.

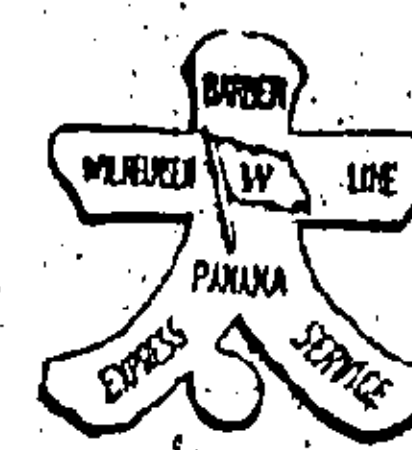
3.30 to 11.30 p.m.—
9 p.m.—Weather report, local time, etc.
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THE TRANS-ASIAN EXPEDITION.

DETAILS OF EXPLORING SCHEME.

FRENCH PARTY MEET U.S. AT KASHGAR.

Further details of the George Marie Hahrdt trans-Asian Expedition were announced by the National Geographic Society. The China unit of the expedition is to leave Peking about March 10 to conduct new studies in Central Asia and to penetrate as far as Kashgar, where it will meet the European unit which is to proceed from Beirut.

The expedition, which is Franco-American in conception, is being sponsored by the National Geographic Society, which contributed £2,500,000, and M. Andre Citroen, French automobile manufacturer, who donated eight desert tractor cars.

Thirty-five Marco Polo's, riding the caterpillars instead of 13th century means of locomotion, will push through Turkistan and the Gobi desert, covering approximately the same ground which the Venetian traveller traversed centuries ago.

From Beirut the Paris unit will work toward Damascus, Baghdad, Peking, Kashgar, Chinese Turkistan, and eastward to Kashgar. Voluminous notes will be taken in preparation for a report which will be illustrated by a "talking" film. M. Hahrdt, veteran French explorer, will head the expedition. The Paris unit is to leave next month.

Cars Like Tanks.

The caterpillar cars to be used on the expedition are similar to the old war tanks. They can make their way through untracked wilderness, desert and jungle. Few white men have visited the country which is now to be explored so fully by the Franco-American expedition.

The members will gather not only anthropological data but all sorts of information which may give further proof to the popular belief that the human race was cradled in Asia.

It is expected that the expedition will cover more than 13,000 miles in 18 months. The Chinese expedition will meet the Beirut expedition at Kashgar to accompany it back to Peking. Father de Charlin, palaeontologist, is now on route to Peking to join the Chinese members, according to the announcement of the National Geographic Society. He is travelling from Paris to Peking by way of the United States and is now crossing the Pacific ocean.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

	Quoted, Feb. 28.
Paris	123.95
New York	4.85 25/32
Brussels	34.84
Geneva	23.20
Amsterdam	12.11
Milan	92.75
Berlin	20.43
Stockholm	18.14
Copenhagen	18.16
Oslo	18.15
Vienna	34.50
Prague	164
Helsingfors	1854
Madrid	43.35
Lisbon	102.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	817
Buenos Aires	41/16
Montevideo	35
Bombay	1/52
Shanghai	1/24
Hong Kong	101
Yokohama	97 13/32
Silver (spot)	121
Silver (forward)	127/16

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HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 2.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.11	30.14	30.04
Temperature	78	85	87
Humidity	75	88	81
Wind			
Direction	C.	E.	E.
Force	3	4	4
Weather	O.	OR.	OD.
Rain	0.00	0.0	0.14
Highest open-air Temperature			11.60
Lowest open-air Temperature			21.65

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 2 to 9, 1931.

High Water. Low Water.

Day of Week	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water
Day of Week	Time	Time	Time	Time
Tues.	8	19.52	4.5	04.59
Wed.	4	19.40	7.7	13.55
Thurs.	5	19.23	7.9	14.45
Fri.	6	19.03	5.2	14.11
Sat.	7	18.46	7.7	13.33
Sun.	8	18.32	5.6	15.19
Mon.	9	18.03	5.5	16.20

EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

March 2, 1931.

On London:—

Telegraphic Transfer... 11 1/10

Bank Bills, 4 months... 11 1/10

Bank Bills, 6 months... 11 1/10

Credit, 4 months... 11 1/10

Credit, 6 months... 11 1/10

Documents, 4 months... 11 1/10

On Paris:—

Bank Bills, 4 months... 60 1/2

Bank Bills, 6 months... 60 1/2

On New York:—

Bank Bills, 4 months... 22 1/2

Bank Bills, 6 months... 22 1/2

Credit, 4 months... 22 1/2

Credit, 6 months... 22 1/2

On Bombay:—

Telegraphic Transfer... 10 1/2

Bank Bills, 4 months... 10 1/2

On Calcutta:—

Telegraphic Transfer... 10 1/2

Bank Bills, 4 months... 10 1/2

On Shanghai:—

Bank at sight... 14 1/2

On Yokohama:—

On demand... 45

On Manila:—On demand... 44 1/2

On Singapore:—

On demand... 30 1/2

On Batavia:—On demand... 50 1/2

On Haiphong:—

On demand... 67 1/2

On Saigon:—On demand... 67 1/2

On Bangkok:—

On demand... 190 1/2

On Hong Kong:—

On demand... 114

On London:—

On demand... 127 1/2

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EXPECTED ARRIVALS AND MOVEMENTS.

Agapenor due from New York March 10.

Alipore due from Shanghai March 3.

Aller due from Japan March 21.

Anchises due from Europe March 24.

Antenor due from Northern ports March 18.

Autolycus due from Northern ports March 31.

Burgund due from Europe March 29.

Calchas due from Europe March 30.

Chenoneux due from Shanghai March 3.

Chichibu Maru arrived from Japan March 1.

City of Athens due from New York March 30.

City of Chester due from New York March 8.

City of Khios due from Europe March 7.

Coblentz due from Europe March 11.

Comorin arrived Marseilles Feb. 27, 6 a.m.

Cremer due from Straits March 5.

D'Artagnan due from Saigon March 3.

Dolius due from Europe March 10.

Emp. of Asia due Vancouver March 7.

Emp. of Australia due Beppu March 4.

Emp. of Canada in Takoo Dock.

Emp. of Japan due from Vancouver March 20.

Emp. of Russia in Dock.

Eurylochus due from Japan March 20.

Fulda due from Europe April 6.

Franken due from Europe March 21.

Glenamoy due from Europe March 30.

Gonulius due from Europe March 10.

Hakozaki Maru due from Europe March 6.

Havel due from Shanghai March 4.

Hawaii Maru due from Japan March 5.

Hector due from Europe March 6.

Hosang arrived from Straits March 2.

Ixion due from Vancouver March 18.

Kalyan due from Europe April 9.

Karmaly due from Europe March 10.

Khiva due from Japan March 9.

Khyber due from Japan March 12.

Kulmerland due from Japan April 2.

Leverkusen due from Japan March 10.

Menelaus due from North China ports March 3.

Mirzapore due from Singapore March 8, 8 a.m.

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SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"BOOCHOW"	On 8th Mar.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & HANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 8th Mar.	11 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANHUI"	On 9th Mar.	3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, NEWCHOW & DALNY	"TEAN"	On 9th Mar.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, FOOCHOW, WENHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 10th Mar.	6 a.m.
HONGKONG & HANGKOK	"KWEIYANG"	On 11th Mar.	Noon
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TAIYUAN"	On 11th Mar.	5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 13th Mar.	8 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIKONG	"KINGYUAN"	On 19th Mar.	Noon
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIKONG	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 27th Mar.	Noon

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STATION	MARCH 1, 1931.										MARCH 2, 1931.									
	Barom.	Therm.	Wind	Cloud	Humid.	Barom.	Therm.	Wind	Cloud	Humid.	Barom.	Therm.	Wind	Cloud	Humid.	Barom.	Therm.	Wind	Cloud	Humid.
Wladivostok	12	30.29	76.8	22	...	N	1	...	6	...	30.33	77.0	12	...	N	1	...	6	...	...
Nemuro	11	29.76	76.0	...	...	NE	1	...	5	...	29.98	76.1	...	...	NW	1	...	5	...	...
Hakodate	...	29.82	76.7	...	...	NW	3	...	...	...	30.06	76.8	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	...
Tokio	...	29.96	76.1	...	...	NW	4	...	...	...	30.36	76.8	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	...
Kobe	...	30.22	76.7	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	30.39	77.2	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki	...	30.33	77.0	...	...	N	2	...	...	...	30.43	77.0	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	...
Kagoshima	...	30.28	76.9	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	30.39	77.0	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	...
Oshima	...	30.28	76.3	...	...	N	3	...	...	...	30.32	77.0	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	...
Naha	...	30.20	76.8	...	...	NW	4	...	...	...	30.26	76.8	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	...
Ishigakijima	...	30.28	76.9	...	...	NNE	2	...	...	...	30.20	76.7	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	...
Bonin Island	...	29.96	76.1	...	...	NW	2	...	...	...	30.16	76.0	...	...	SSW	1	...	...	...	...
Shanghai	13	30.48	77.2	36	...	NW	2	...	6	...	30.48	77.2	38	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Gutzlaff	14	30.62	77.5	40	...	NE	2	...	6	...	30.48	77.2	38	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Wenchow	...	30.61	77.5	38	...	NE	2	...	6	...	30.48	77.2	38	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Foochow	...	30.48	77.4	32	...	NE	6	...	6	...	30.41	77.2	41	...	N	8	...	6	...	...
Amoy	...	30.21	76.3	52	...	NE	4	...	7	...	30.04	76.0	44	...	N	8	...	6	...	...
Swatow	...	30.36	77.1	56	...	NE	4	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihou	11	30.35	77.0	54	...	E	4	...	5	...	30.19	76.8	58	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Taichu	...	30.25	76.4	56	...	E	2	...	...	...	30.11	76.8	58	...	NNE	2	...	6	...	...
Sinan	...	30.20	76.7	57	...	NNE	2	...	...	...	30.09	76.4	67	...	NE	6	...	6	...	...
Aoshun	...	30.16	76.0	74	...	NE	6	...	...	...	30.13	76.4	67	...	NE	6	...	6	...	...
Pescadore	...	30.24	76.9	69	...	E	5	...	6	...	30.00	76.4	56	...	E	6	...	6	...	...
Hong Kong	14	30.12	76.0	65	...	E	6	...	6	...	30.03	76.3	68	...	E	6	...	6	...	...
Gap Rock	...	30.12	76.0	65	...	E	2	...	...	...	30.07	76.4	58	...	ESE	4	...	6	...	...
Macao	...	30.05	76.2	69	...	E	2	...	...	...	29.99	76.1	70	...	SE	3	...	6	...	...
Hoihow	...	30.09	76.3	72	...	E	3	...	...	...	30.04	76.3	70	...	NE	6	...	6	...	...
Prata Island	...	29.99	76.1	64	...	E	3	...	...	...	29.99	76.1	68	...	NW	4	...	6	...	...
Plailian	16	29.94	76.0	74	...	E	2	...	7	...	29.98	76.1	72	...	S	2	...	6	...	...
Tourane	...	29.89	75.9	63	...	SE	6	...	...	...	29.91	75.9	72	...	NE	6	...	6	...	...
Cape St. James	...	30.06	76.8	86	...	E	4	...	6	...	30.05	76.8	74	...	NE	4	...	6	...	...
Basco	14	29.95	76.7	79	...	E	4	...	6	...	29.99	76.1	74	...	E	2	...	6	...	...
Apurri	...	29.94	76.0	72	...	N	2	...	...	...	29.97	76.1	70	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.89	75.9	86	...	N	4	...	...	...	29.90	75.9	76	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Vigan	...	29.89	75.9	81	...	N	4	...	...	...	29.98	76.2	70	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Manila	...	29.91	75.8	86	...	NNE	4	...	...	...	29.93	76.0	72	...	NE	4	...	6	...	...
Legaspi	...	29.89	75.8	79	...	NNE	4	...	...	...	29.94	76.0	70	...	NNE	2	...	6	...	...
Calbayog	...	29.89	75.8	88	...	E	4	...	...	...	29.98	76.1	77	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Tacloban	...	29.89	75.8	88	...	E	4	...	...	...	29.92	76.0	76	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Bohol	...	29.87	75.8	88	...	NE	4	...	...	...	29.96	76.1	76	...	E	4	...	6	...	...
Cebu	...	29.86	75.8	88	...	E	4	...	...	...	29.90	75.9	77	...	WSW	4	...	6	...	...
Surigao	...	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yap	12.22	29.86	75.8	...	...	NE	4	...	4.22	...	29.91	75.9	...	...	NE	2	...	6	...	...
Pelau	11.00	29.85	75.8	...	...	E	4	...	...	...	29.93	75.7	78	...	NE	1	...	6	...	...
Labuan	14	29.84	75.7	76	...	N	4	...	...	...	29.93	75.7	78	...	NE	1	...	6	...	...

March 2d, 10A. 42m.—The anticyclone has weakened and is now central over the Yellow Sea. Moderating monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.03 inch. Total since January 1, 0.90 inch, against an average of 3.23 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON MARCH 3.

District.	Forecast.
1.—Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, strong moderating; overcast, some light rain and fog.
2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamooka	N.E. winds, strong moderating; overcast, some light rain and fog.
3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock	N.E. winds, strong moderating; overcast, some light rain and fog.
4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan	N.E. winds, strong moderating; overcast, some light rain and fog.

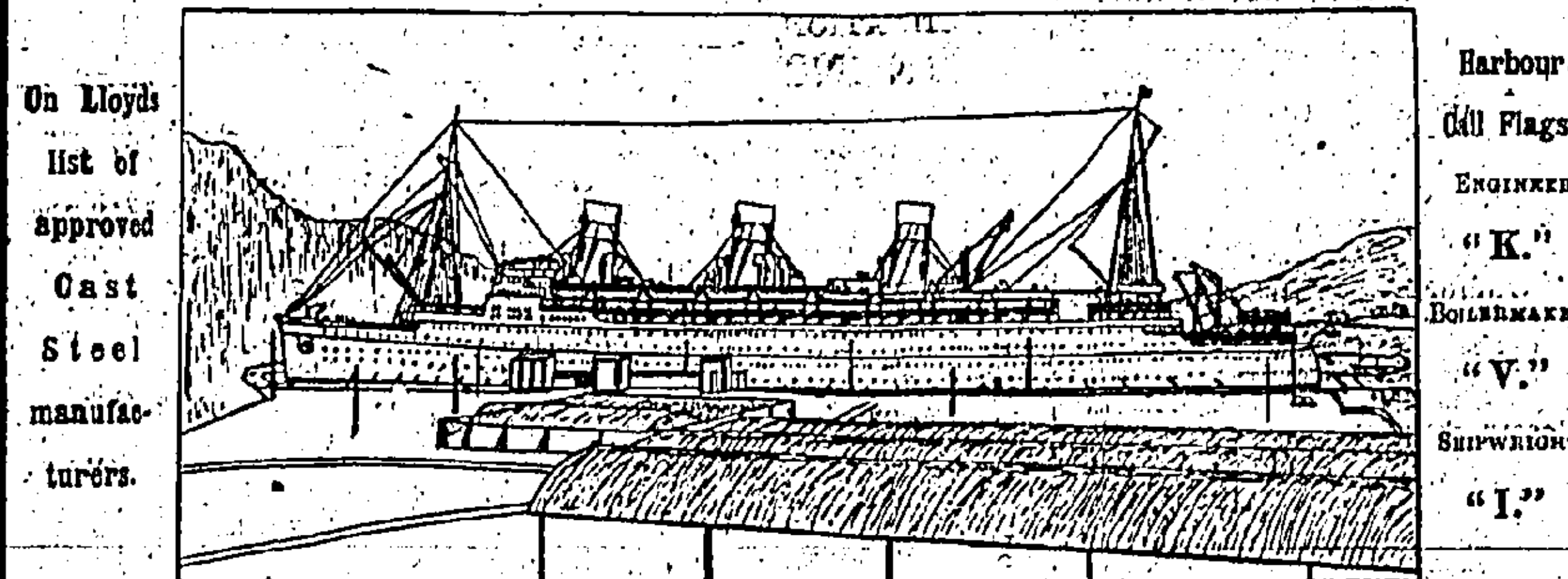
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG" "SUISANG" "HOBANG"	Wed., 4th Mar., at 3 p.m. Mon., 8th Mar., at 3 p.m. Saturn., 21st Mar., at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"HOBANG"	Wed., 4th Mar., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, SHAL, MOJI & KOBE	"KUTSANG"	Tues., 17th Mar., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"YUENSANG"	Mon., 30th Mar., at 7 a.m.
RANDAKAN	"MAUSANG" "HINSANG"	Wed., 11th Mar., at Noon Wed., 18th Mar., at Noon
TIENTSIN & SWATOW, FOOCHOW & W'WBI	"CHIPSANG"	Fri., 9th Mar., at 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN & SWATOW & FOOCHOW	"CHEONGSEING"	Thurs., 16th Mar., at 7 a.m.

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Empress of Japan	July 5	July 8	July 11	July 13	July 20
Empress of Asia	July 23	July 26	July 29	July 31	Aug. 5
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The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

British	H.K.	Porta.
Perseus, Singapore	1,403	2,626
Glenbeg, Singapore	850	1,037
Kanchow, Amoy	303	292
Fooshing, Swatow	169	1,703
Kwangtung, Canton	—	1,000
Antung, Hoihow	200	10
Haiyann, Swatow	480	—
Borneo, Saigon	2,401	—

— 5,804 — 8,241

Dutch Tjikirang, Amoy — 850

Norwegian Prominent, Hoihow 950

Kulmerland, Manila 2,884

— 3,604 — 3,741

Japanese Tenyo Maru, Singapore 56

Sancho Maru, Keelung 720

Chichibu Maru, Kobe 500

Panama Maru, Moji 355

— 1,724 — 10,413

Chinese Cheung On, Shanmei 302

— 302 —

Total ... 11,434 23,245

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:

British	Arr.	Dep.
Dutch	8	0
Norwegian	2	0
German	1	0
Japanese	4	4
Chinese	1	2
French	0	2
Total	19	10

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Antung (British) Singapore, Hoihow	68
Haiyann (British) Foodchow, Swatow	265
Borneo (British) Saigon	200
Tjikirang (Dutch) Shanghai, Amoy	116
Prominent (Norwegian) Penang, Hoihow	201
Tenyo Maru (Japanese) Bombay, Singapore	64
Cheung On (Chinese) Shanmei	77
Total	1,058

ARRIVALS.

March 1.

Antung, British str., 2,107 tons, Capt. G. Morse, from Hoihow, buoy No. 315.—B. & S.
Chichibu Maru, Japanese m.a., 17,497 tons, Capt. Y. Arakida, from Yokohama, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.
Glenbeg, British m.s., 9,461 tons, Capt. L. Newing, from Europe via Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. J. H. Fairley, from Amoy, buoy No. B2.—B. & S.
Kulmerland, German m.s., 7,303 tons, Capt. Paul Kusfert, from Hamburg, Kowloon Wharf.—Jensen & Co.

Menado Maru, Japanese str., 1,285 tons, Capt. T. Kawasata, from Haiyong, O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

Perseus, British str., 6,333 tons, Capt. D. Mansfield, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.
Prominent, Norwegian str., 1,377 tons, Capt. H. Jensen, from Hoihow, buoy No. C4.—K. Larsen & Co.

Sancho Maru, Japanese str., 694 tons, Capt. M. Tange, from Keelung, Yau-mat Anchorage.—M.B.K.

Sipora, Dutch str., 941 tons, Capt. S. Bakker, from Canton, Yau-mat Anchorage.—J.C.J.L.

Tjikirang, Dutch str., 4,004 tons, Capt. P. Hopman, from Amoy, buoy No. A4.—J.C.J.L.

Uprecht, Dutch str., 700 tons, Capt. J. H. Kon, from Canton, Yau-mat Anchorage.—A.P.C.

ARRIVALS.

March 2.

Borneo, British str., 1,204 tons, Capt. R. A. Prichard, from Saigon, buoy No. A5.—Wo Fat Sing.

Cheung On, Chinese str., 1,333 tons, Capt. W. L. Thomas, from Canton, Taikoo Dock.—B. & S.

Prominent, Swedish str., 4,330 tons, Capt. A. H. Gilman, from Europe via Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Koromik, British str., 1,541 tons, Capt. E. Jones, from Samarinda, Yau-mat Anchorage.—Wilkinson & Co.

Kueichow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. D. Williams, from Canton, Taikoo Dock.—B. & S.

Panama Maru, Japanese str., 5,900 tons, Capt. S. Kurimura, from Yokohama via Moji, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

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CLEARANCES.

March 2.

Antung, for Amoy.
Bauracke, for Keelung.
Cheung On, for Shanghai.
Chungkong, for Tournay.
Formosa, for Kobe.
Glenbeg, for Shanghai.
Hydrangen, for Swatow.
Kanchow, for Canton.
Koromik, for Canton.
Kulmerland, for Foodchow.
Kwangtung, for Dainy.
Mao Lee, for Tientsin.
Panama Maru, for Singapore.
Patagonier, for Shanghai.
Perseus, for Shanghai.
Pres. Lincoln, for Seattle.
Sancho Maru, for Canton.
Tjikirang, for Manila.
Tonkin, for Haiphong.
Utrecht, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived by a.s. President Lincoln:—Sr. Constantine Alington, Miss Bertha C. Boddy, Mr. Chun Boon Pen, Mr. Glenn E. Cox, Mrs. Louise G. Ollingham, Master Benjamin Dillingham, Mr. J. Passmore Elkinton, Mr. John A. Ferlie, Mr. Alfonso Fernandez, Miss Ann Gaoor, Mr. Alexander Gerner, Miss Molly Gibbs, Miss Helene Griffiths, Mr. Goshi Kurikome, Mr. Khoo Se Deng, Mr. Herbert Kirby, Mr. Rolle E. Lunkley, Mr. B. F. Mills, Sr. Maria Muller, Mrs. Eunice Pascoe, Miss Betty E. Pascoe, Mrs. Ida M. Poor, Mr. Paul Richter, Sr. Marie T. Rozat, Sr. Benvenuto Schoch, Mrs. A. M. Thompson, Mrs. Lucy Vacheron.

The E. & A. s.s. St. Albans left Manila for this port on the 1st instant with the outward Australasia mails, and is due here to-morrow morning.

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"RAWALPINDI"	9,123	28th Mar.	4th Apr. Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
"KARMALA"	16,668	4th Apr.	11th Apr. Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
"SOUDAN"	9,144	11th Apr.	18th Apr. Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
"KALYAN"	16,132	18th Apr.	25th Apr. Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
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"SOUDAN"	9,144	15th Mar.	do.
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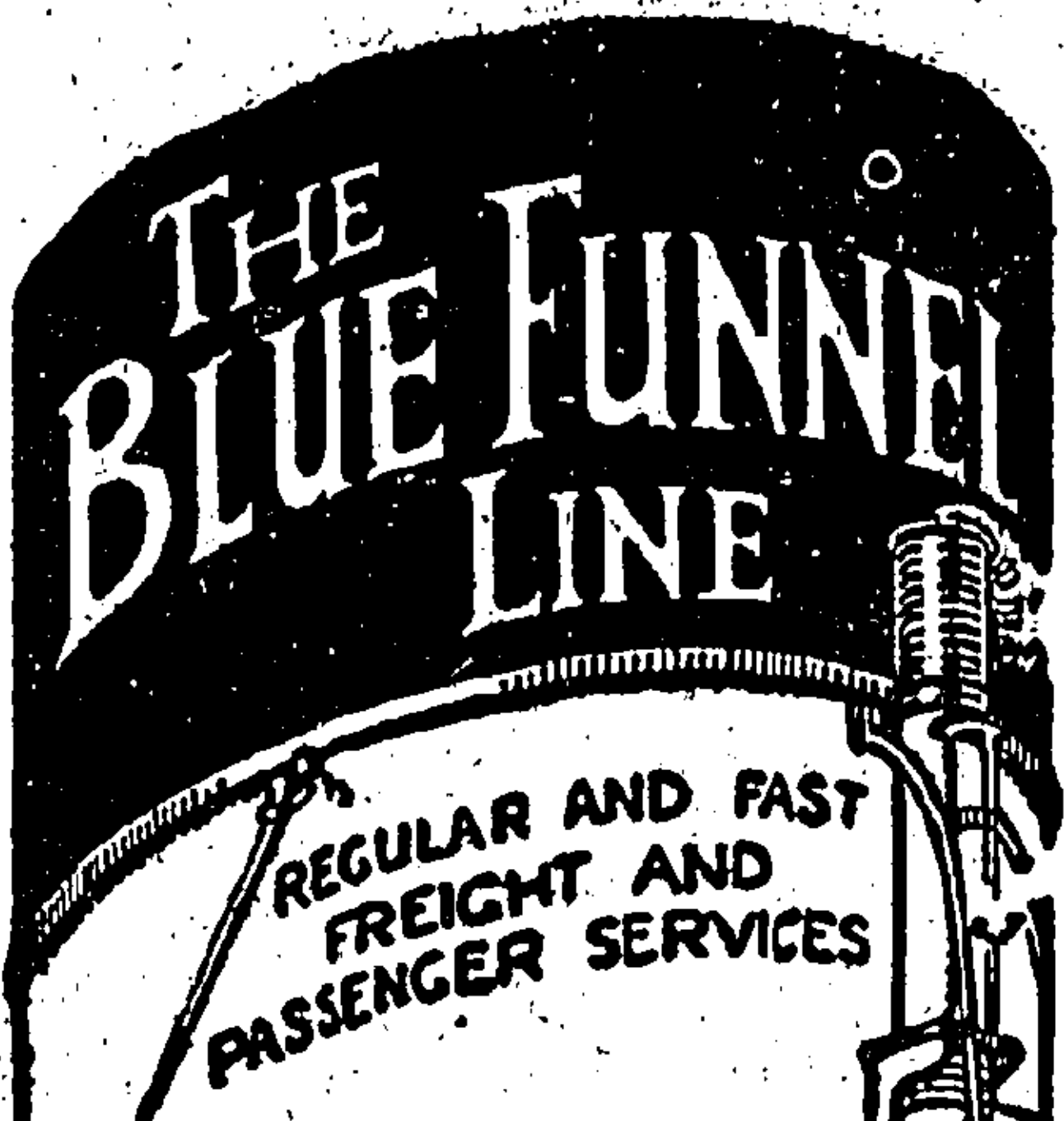
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